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Khomeini meets Arafat; PLO gets Israeli offices

TEHRAN, Feb. 17 (AP) — Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini met Palestinian Liberation Organisation (PLO) leader Yasser Arafat here Saturday night, Iran's national radio reported.

He was the first prominent foreign visitor received by the Ayatollah Khomeini since his storm to Iran from exile two weeks ago.

The radio said the religious leader who wants to turn Iran into an Islamic republic met Arafat, and other Palestinian officials at his headquarters at 030 (1700 GMT). It gave no details about the talks.

Arafat came to Iran to personally congratulate the 78-year-old leader for the success of Iran's Islamic revolution. A Palestinian plane that apparently brought Arafat here from Beirut landed while the last of three American evacuation flights was about to depart from Tehran's Mehrabad Airport Saturday afternoon.

Khomeini has handed over the ransacked Israeli trade mission in Tehran to Arafat's Palestine Liberation Organisation and expressed sympathy for the Palestinian cause.

Meanwhile, industry sources said a majority of Iranian workers — including those in the country's oilfields — appeared to be heeding Ayatollah Khomeini's call to return to work after months of strikes.

But the sources said the government has not yet decided how much oil Iran should produce now that the Shah's regime has been dismantled.

There were unconfirmed reports from Morocco, where the Shah is staying, that he is seriously considering abdicating the throne as a way of helping calm the situation in his country.

At Mehrabad Airport, closed since last weekend's bloody street fighting which swept Khomeini into power after years in exile, two British and three American planes were allowed to take off, carrying 1,100 people out of Iran.

However, scheduled Air France and Australian Air Force flights were refused permission to land at the airport and about 150 citizens of those two countries were told to go back to their homes.

However, airport sources said the two flights would be allowed to land soon.

In the oilfields, sources said it would be some weeks before Iran would even consider producing oil for export. Only the 700,000 barrels a day needed for domestic use will be produced, the sources said.

Strikes in the oil industry and other key sectors of the economy were a major factor in the process which toppled the Shah's government and put an end to 2,500 years of monarchy in Iran.

Khomeini's apparently successful call for a return to work was seen as a major test of his authority. Many shops and other businesses in Tehran's bazaar were open Saturday for the first time in months.

At the airport, reports said about 800 Americans and more than 250 Britons were evacuated, flying variously to Cyprus, Germany and Italy. An Italian airplane also took off about 100 Italians.

While armed guards provided by Khomeini's government stood security watch a Pan Am Boeing 747 jumbo jet left Mehrabad Airport for Frankfurt, West Germany, at 4:35 p.m.

The first plane was followed 30 minutes later by another Pan Am jumbo jet headed for Rome. An Air Force C-141 (Continued on back page)



Yasser Arafat



Ayatollah Khomeini

King Khaled honors Queen

RIYADH, Feb. 17 (AP) — King Khaled Saturday gave a dinner in honor of Queen Elizabeth II at Al-Masara Palace, attended by the Duke of Edinburgh, Second Deputy Premier and Commander of National Guard, Prince Abdullah, princes, officials and senior officers.

Earlier in the day the Queen and her party including Foreign Secretary David Owen, were welcomed at Riyadh Airport by the King.

Crown Prince Fahd, Prince Abdullah, princes and members of the Diplomatic Corps were also at the airport. Thousands of Saudi and British nationals working in the Kingdom filled the airport lounges to glimpse the Queen.

The Queen's Concorde touched down in Riyadh at 1 p.m. to a 21 gun salute and the skirl of National Guard bagpipes.

After the British and Saudi national anthems, the two monarchs reviewed a guard of honor, as the Saudi state radio, carrying the ceremonies live, praised the historic relations between the two countries, based on mutual respect and interest.

At the VIP lounge, the Queen and her party were served the traditional Arab token of hospitality — coffee poured from shiny brass kettles.

The queen's motorcade later headed for the Nasseriyah Guest House where she will stay during her two days in Riyadh. Monday the Queen will head for Dhahran to inspect oil installations.

The visit is aimed at strengthening and enhancing friendship. But Owen is expected to conduct political and economic talks on the sidelines with Saudi officials.

Commenting on the visit, the Saudi press said it would cement Saudi-British relations.

"While Britain has lost its political influence in the region, it can still contribute to its development through trade and technology," one said.

Britain "could do a lot more to help stability and peace in the region by working with European partners in bringing pressure to bear on Israel to agree on a just and lasting peace."

Friday afternoon the queen spent the afternoon in the desert at the Bahrain races.



ROYAL WELCOME: King Khaled receives Queen Elizabeth II upon arrival in Riyadh Saturday. Top picture shows from left Second Deputy Premier and Commander of the National Guard Prince Abdullah, Crown Prince Fahd, Prince Philip, the Queen and King Khaled. Picture in the middle shows Queen Elizabeth II and King Khaled at the VIP Lounge and bottom, the royal visitor shakes hands with Saudi princes, ministers and senior officials. — (SPA)

U.S. cautions

China raids Vietnam

TOKYO, Feb. 17 (AP) — The leadership of the Chinese Communist Party has decided to launch an organized "attack of self defense" against Vietnam, Japan's Kyodo News service said Saturday in a dispatch from Peking.

Radio Hanoi also announced Saturday night that Chinese troops launched an attack along the whole of China's border with Vietnam early Saturday morning.

Kyodo, quoting an unnamed Chinese government source, said China had not declared war on Vietnam. The agency said the Chinese appeared to have launched an organized attack on the Vietnamese, but that report could not be confirmed.

According to Kyodo, a Chinese Communist Party bulletin issued Saturday said China had decided to battle Vietnam to punish the Vietnamese for violence against Chinese border residents.

Vietnam and China have been involved in escalating border skirmishes for the past year. The fighting started in response to Chinese claims that ethnic Chinese were being "exterminated on back page"

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Imports up 27 per cent

RIYADH, Feb. 17 (SPA) — Saudi Arabia's imports rose 27 per cent in 1978, over 1977, according to the General Ports Authority Saturday.

An Authority spokesman said that imports totalled 35.80 million freight tons in the same period.

He added that the number of ships to call at the Kingdom's ports reached 6,619 — an increase of 25 per cent.

The spokesman said that despite the large number of ships "all vessels were unloaded efficiently."

He said that the Ports Authority had overcome congestion since 1977.

Sadat: No more concessions

ISMAILIA, Egypt, Feb. 17 (R) — President Anwar Sadat said Saturday his country would make no concessions at next week's Camp David ministerial meetings on a proposed peace treaty with Israel, American officials said.

They said Sadat told visiting American Defense Secretary Harold Brown that Egypt had made enough concessions in the peace process, and it was now up to Israel.

The scheduled one-hour discussion between Sadat and Brown ran on for two hours to cover a range of security issues, including additional American arms for his country.

At Camp David

American defense officials who attended the meeting said that, despite Sadat's forceful remarks on Camp David, the talks were "quite friendly."

Egypt and Israel are due to resume their deadlocked peace negotiations at the presidential retreat in Maryland on Wednesday.

Sadat said earlier Saturday that events in Iran had aroused his concern for stability in the Middle East and he was asking for American weapons on par with those supplied to Israel.

"Whenever there is any issue like (stability) in the area, we should be treated — all of us — on the same level," Sadat said.

The chaos in Iran appeared to have been at the center of talks between Sadat and American Secretary of Defense Harold Brown at Sadat's villa here near the Suez Canal. Both Egypt and Israel, which Brown visited earlier, are making the point that they are worthy defendants of stability now that the Shah has been deposed and replaced by an unpredictable, in American eyes, Islamic republic.



WAILING WALL: U.S. Secretary of Defense Harold Brown visiting the Wailing Wall in East Jerusalem. — (AP wirephoto)

Neither Sadat nor Brown went into details on arms, but Sadat said "Yes, for sure I shall be making arms requests."

"As long as I live here I shall be defending my country, my Arab colleagues and anyone in the area against any foreign intervention," Sadat said. "For that I am asking for arms for my country."

Iran made U.S. anxious for peace, Dayan claims

TEL AVIV, Feb. 17 (R) — Israeli Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan said Friday night the Iranian crisis had spurred the United States into seeking an Israeli-Egyptian peace treaty as soon as possible.

"The U.S. does not think time is working in its (an agreement's) favor," Dayan told an Israeli Radio interviewer.

"They believe that as time passes the chances of reaching an agreement will diminish. Therefore they believe we must try to get what we can," he added.

Dayan said there was a possibility the United States would exert pressure on Israel at next week's resumption of negotiations at Camp David.

"This danger (of American pressure) is almost a constant factor in all triangular relationships between us, the Arabs and the U.S.," he said.

Dayan, who will take part in next week's talks with Egyptian Prime Minister Mustafa Khalil and American Secretary of State Cyrus Vance, listed five issues as being on the agenda for the talks.

Articles Four and Six of the draft peace agreement which deals with arrangements in Sinai after Israeli troops are withdrawn and the proposed accord's precedence over previous commitments by Egypt to Arab countries.

A joint letter on a target date for the establishment of autonomy for Palestinians on the West Bank and Gaza Strip. The Egyptians want negotiations on this to begin the month after the signing of an accord.

The question of an exchange of ambassadors, which Egypt wants tied to the implementation of the autonomy plans.

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Killing of U.S. envoy

By Barry Shlachter
KABUL, Feb. 17 (AP) — It was a chilly, clear Wednesday morning when U.S. Ambassador Adolph "Spike" Dubs finished breakfast, climbed into his yellow Oldsmobile and headed for the embassy. He never made it.

His car, flying a small American flag, was stopped by four armed terrorists, triggering a tense drama that climaxed with Dubs' death and U.S. diplomatic protests to Afghanistan and the Soviet Union.

Here is a reconstruction based on interviews with witnesses and diplomatic sources and official Afghan announcements:

At 8:25 A.M., Dubs left his residence. His driver, Gul Muhammad, routinely locked all of the car's doors by remote control and took one of the systematically varied routes to the U.S. embassy.

At an intersection near the American cultural center, about halfway to the embassy, a man in a policeman's uniform motioned the car to stop and told the driver he wished to ask about some "suspicious."

As Muhammad lowered the window, the man raised a revolver to his head and ordered to unlock the doors. The "policeman" and three others entered the car about 8:40 and told the driver to go to the Kabul Hotel in the center of town.

At the hotel, Dubs was taken up to the second floor by three of the gunmen. The fourth went to the front desk and brought back a clerk at gunpoint to unlock the door to Room 117.

Dubs' driver was freed and told to go to the embassy to tell U.S. officials about the abduction. Embassy officials told Afghan authorities, who sent police to the hotel.

The police arrived at 9 a.m., and so did U.S. diplomat Bruce Flatin, who advised them to use extreme caution, saying "time is on the side of the authorities."

Three Soviet police advisers arrived at the hotel a few minutes later carrying equipment wrapped in a green cover, followed by Sergei Bakhrin, chief security officer at the Soviet Embassy here. It is not known what the equipment was.

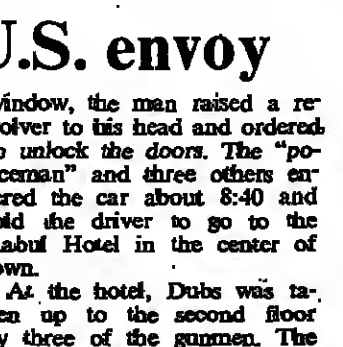
At 11:20, Afghan authorities moved ladders against the wall of the hotel. Hundreds of troops ringed the building.

Twenty minutes later, Flatin was allowed to speak through the keyhole to Dubs. Afghan security officials suggested he use a language other than English because the kidnappers did not understand English.

"How are you," Flatin asked in German.

"I'm fine," replied Dubs. These were to be his last known words.

The kidnappers, realizing the two were not speaking in English, shouted at the ambassador



WIDOW: Grief-stricken Mary Anne Dubs, widow of slain American Ambassador Adolph Dubs, embraced by an unidentified friend on her arrival aboard jet sent by President Carter to return Dubs' body to United States. — (AP wirephoto)



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The demands have not been fully disclosed. But the government announced the terrorists sought the release of a man named Bahruddin Bahes, assumed to be one of the several thousand political prisoners in Afghanistan.

Nothing is publicly known about the political sympathies of Bahes or the four terrorists, who have yet to be identified.

On Palestinian land

Jordan urges U.N. parley

UNITED NATIONS, Feb. 17 (R) — Jordan says it was taking steps to convene an urgent Security Council meeting to consider the "ominous and accelerating erosion of the Palestinian land" in the occupied territories.

Addressing the U.N. Committee on the Rights of the Palestinian People, Ambassador Hazem Nuseibeh of Jordan said Israel had already taken over much of the fertile land on the West Bank as well as water resources.

"The situation has deteriorated to the point where the very survival of the Palestinian people on Palestinian soil is in serious jeopardy," he said.

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At Houston lunch

Iran a victim of arms buildup, too rapid growth, Pharaon says

Houston Bureau
By Susan Arkell
HOUSTON, Feb. 17 — Large-scale purchases of arms and "too rapid" development created an unstable atmosphere in Iran and led to the downfall of the Shah and moves toward the formation of an Islamic Republic, a leading Jeddah businessman said here this week.

Ghailh R. Pharaon, head of the Saudi Research and Development Corp. (REDEC) told the Rotary Club of Houston on Feb. 15, "Iran was a case of too rapid growth."

"The fast pace threatened the social and cultural values of the people and led to a negative reaction and the fall of the Shah," Pharaon said at a



Dr. Ghailh Pharaon
luncheon speech at the Shamrock Hilton Hotel.

dence in Iran's new leadership under the Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini.

"We all should at least give the present regime a chance to prove itself — rather than accuse it of being made up of fanatical Muslims who will immediately institute the cutting of hands and stoning for criminal actions," he said.

The former emphasis on the purchase of armaments will now shift to agricultural and industrial development projects, Pharaon predicted. Oil production will resume, he said, but the level of production "will be in line with the development needs of the nation."

"Islam has never been opposed to development and industrialization," he said. "This can be seen in the progress of the sciences, medicine and astrology throughout Arab history."

The failure of leaders to "respond to the will of the people" is the major cause of instability in any nation, Pharaon said.

The change of leadership in Iran will be for the better only if the Western nations are willing to assist," Pharaon added.

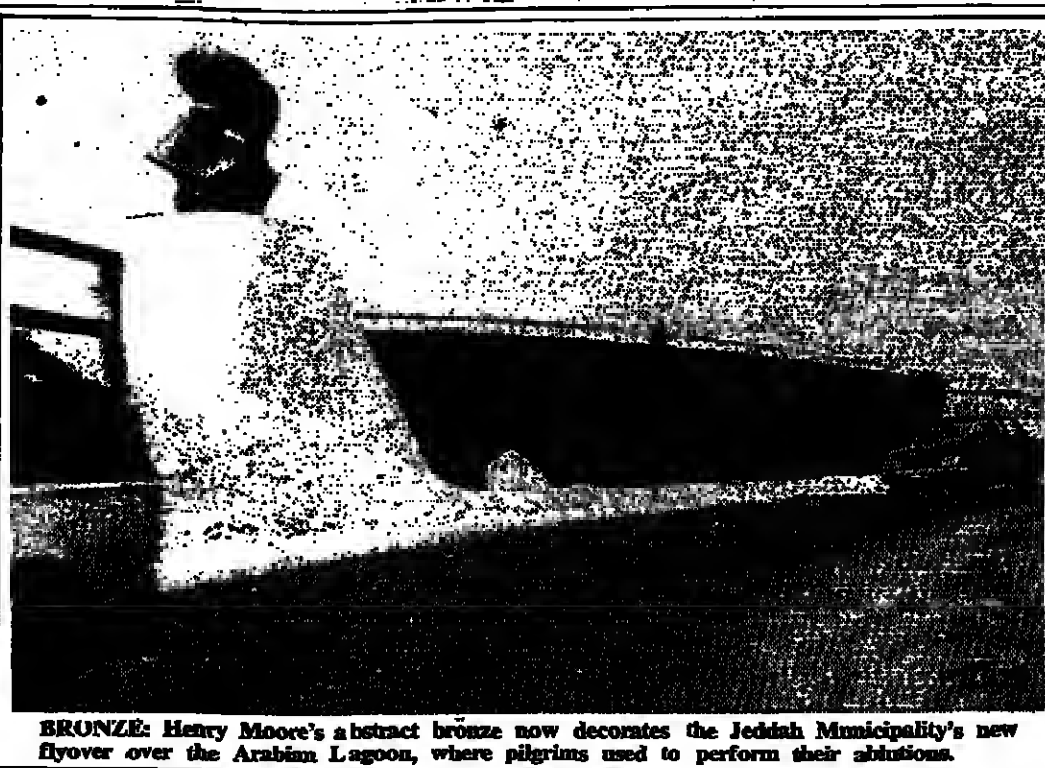
"If the Western world abandons Iran now, the leadership there will find only one ally: the Soviet Union. Under the veil of Islam, the Soviet threat will move in, create turmoil and take over Iran."

Saudi Arabia, Pharaon said, remains vulnerable to a Soviet threat while the United States' influence in the Middle East continues to "dwindle to low levels."

"We have seen encroachments of Cubans in Ethiopia; in Afghanistan the Soviet-backed forces have taken control — without any reaction from the United States," Pharaon said.

With its vast oil reserves, large area and small population, Saudi Arabia has proved that it needs an alliance with the United States, he added.

"It is not Saudi Arabia that will stand in the face of a Russian invasion — rather, it will be the United States,"



BRONZE: Henry Moore's abstract bronze now decorates the Jeddah Municipality's new flyover over the Arabian Lagoon, where pilgrims used to perform their ablutions.

In Medina

Sewage program belies labor myth

By a Staff Reporter

JEDDAH, Feb. 17 — The widely held belief that Saudis are unwilling to undertake difficult or disagreeable jobs in the public sector is belied by reports from Medina of Saudis taking over the city's sewage treatment plant and network.

According to officials of Finnish firms contracted by the Ministry of Municipal and Rural Affairs, Saudi trainees are successfully taking care of major elements in Medina pub-

lic health through important positions at the plant and over-seeing the network.

A joint venture of the Finnish firms YIT and CCC was contracted by the ministry for a five-year operation, maintenance and training contract in 1974. The SR58m contract will be completed in September.

Since the training program started 2½ years ago, 54 Saudis have taken over positions in the plant—three in the management positions of plant manager, network manager and operation superintendent.

Kari G. Simelius of the YIT-CCC Joint Venture said this week progress in training — conducted in Finland, Egypt and on the Medina system — has been remarkably good in comparison to experience on the Jeddah and Riyadh systems.

Ten trainees of foremen or higher have reached "100 per cent maturity" — that is, can work independently or under only minimal supervision from the four Finns left at the project. The remainder hover between 60 and 90 per cent maturity and it is expected that

these will be able to take over their jobs in September.

While Simelius admitted that low salaries at the start of the training program had deterred the number of applicants, a major 70 per cent increase of final salaries for the Civil Service had filled the gap both in the number and the satisfaction of the trainees.

Religious unit lauds Zia moves

RIYADH, Feb. 17 (SPA)—Sheikh Abdul Aziz bin Baz, president of the Departments of Scholarly Research, Legal Rulings, Propagation and Religious Guidance, has cabled his appreciation to President Zia ul-Haq on new Sharia measures in Pakistan saying that "Muslims share in the rejoicing of the people of Pakistan on this great event for the sake of which Pakistan came into existence." Gen. Zia introduced a number of measures, including Islamic punishments and the Zakat wealth tax last week.

Solaim to hold talks in France

JEDDAH, Feb. 17 (SPA)—Minister of Commerce Dr. Solaiman A. Solaim will pay a three-day visit to France beginning Feb. 25 at the invitation of the French Minister of Foreign Trade.

Jazairi views March conference

RIYADH, Feb. 17 (SPA)—Minister of Health Dr. Hussein Al-Jazairi Saturday met Dr. Zaki Ahmed Hamdi, secretary general of the Council of Arab Health Ministers, now on a visit to the Kingdom. The two officials discussed arrangements for the second session of the council to be held in Riyadh on March 11. Hamdi arrived here Friday.

Agreement signed

Muslim news agency leases Rome network

RIYADH, Feb. 17 (SPA) — The International Islamic News Agency (IINA) signed an agreement Saturday with Italy's Radio Stampa for the leasing of wireless and telecommunications facilities.

The agreement was signed by Dr. Abdul Aziz Khoja, deputy information minister and chairman of IINA's executive board, Saifdar Ali Qureshi, director general of IINA, and Dr. Eugenio Anofazi, managing director of Radio Stampa.

Under the agreement, Radio Stampa will provide the IINA with high frequency transmission for news relays to the Middle and Near East, Africa, Asia and some European countries.

It will also provide the facilities to set up a receiving station at IINA's headquarters in Jeddah, which will be linked to the radio's Rome-based headquarters through satellite.

The agreement will enable the agency for the first time to collect the news from member countries as well as from international news centers and to transmit them at speed.

The agency aims to manage its own wireless and telecommunications network and eventually develop into a full-

fledged world news agency.

The executive board of the agency is made up of delegates from Egypt, Tunisia, Morocco, Syria, Senegal, Iran, Pakistan and Malaysia and Dr. Khoja, representing the Kingdom.

The IINA, an affiliate of the Jeddah-based Islamic Conference, was created to convey an Islamic image of the Muslim world and to promote the flow of news between Muslim countries.

Foreign workers flogged at port for theft attempt

JEDDAH, Feb. 17 — Two foreign laborers at Jeddah Port received 90 lashes each Friday after being found guilty of attempting to steal a trailer.

"Al-Medina" newspaper reported Saturday that the two men were arrested while trying to couple the trailer with their vehicle near the headquarters of the Port Security Department.

Capt. Khidir Omar Al-Quraishi, chief of investigations at the department, read out the verdict in Arabic and English before the punishment was carried out in public by Lt. Ayed Al-Qabani.

The Governorate of Mecca received a report on the arrest last week from Brig. Muhammad Faisal Al-Harabi, Jeddah chief of police, and had submitted it to the Ministry of the Interior which approved the flogging.

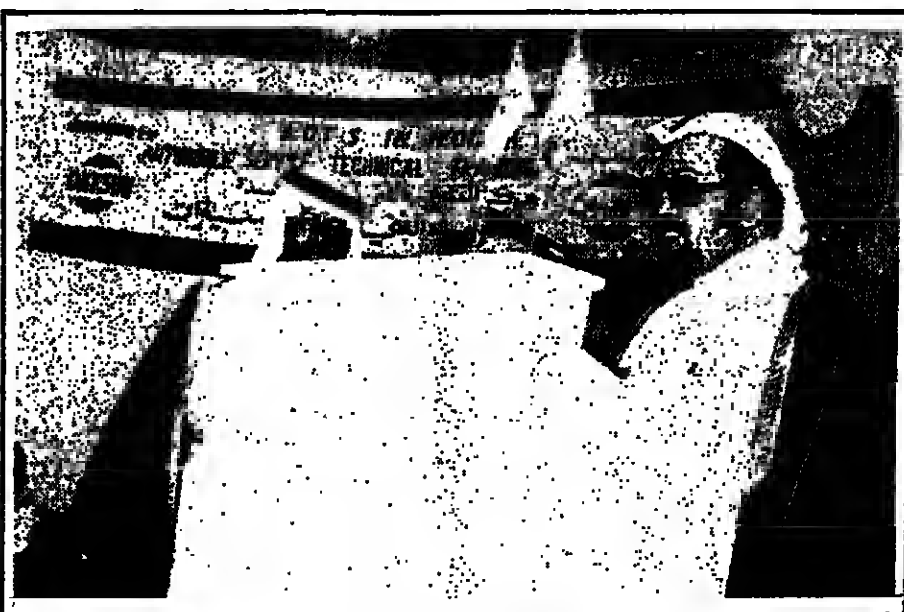
The nationality of the two was not announced.

Khaled to open Dammam plant

JEDDAH, Feb. 17 — King Khaled will open the Aluminum Products Company (ALUPCO) in Dammam Tuesday, it was reported by "Al-Jazairi" newspaper Saturday. The inaugural ceremony will be held at the company's headquarters in Dammam's industrial park, the paper said.

Siraj Zahran-Datsun celebrates the opening of its first training course.

46 Saudi candidates training Japanese cars technology.



Messrs. Siraj H. Zahran and Co. gave a party at the Jeddah Palace Hotel last Saturday afternoon on the occasion of the opening of the first technical training course organized by the company in collaboration with Nissan Motor Company and Japanese government agencies concerned. The course will train Saudi youths in mechanical and electrical work and will last 40 days.

The party was attended by a large number of businessmen including the president and members of the Jeddah chamber of commerce, professors of mechanics at King Abdul Aziz university, the model technical institute the Japanese ambassador and embassy staff. There were three representatives of

Nissan Motor also present in addition to the chief executives of Siraj Zahran company. They were received by Sheikh Asad Kandeil vice president of Siraj Zahran and partners.

Sheikh Kandeil says: We hope that the course will qualify Saudi youths to contribute to the development of the country.

Speaking on the occasion, Sheikh Kandeil said: "In the name of Almighty God we are

glad to inaugurate the first course in electro-mechanics organized by Zahran in collaboration with our principals Nissan Motor Co., Ltd. Our goal is to offer the best possible service to our country and people.

"I must point out that the course is not organized only for Siraj Zahran & Co. employees but for all employees of the government, institutes and private companies. The number today exceeds 46 candidates, he said. It is very clear that the intention is not to make money out of this course. Our only aim is to serve the country and create a generation of technically qualified men to participate in the development of the country under the guidance and leadership of King

Khaled and Crown Prince Fahd.

"I would like to sincerely request all other companies to follow our example and contribute to the development of their country with such good programs if training and education."

Training Manager, Nissan — Motor says: We decided to give the priority in training programs to Saudi Arabia.

As evidence of the importance of the occasion, it was attended by S. Ishimoto,

manager, training, export service department of Nissan Motor Company Ltd. who said: "It is indeed a great pleasure for me to have this opportunity to say a few words at this party for the Automobile Technical Service Training jointly conducted by the Association for Overseas Technical Scholarship, one of the Japanese government organizations, Nissan Motor Co. and Siraj Hamid Zahran and Co."

"Since 1960 the Association for Overseas Technical Scholarship has been introducing to friendly countries Japan's highest industrial technologies and know-how in order to contribute to the expansion of their industrialization and to promote a close mutual understand-

ing between these countries and Japan. Until now these training programs were held in Japan. However, many trainees encountered language difficulties, and this has prompted the Japanese government to hold these courses in the countries concerned."

He said that since 1960 Nissan Motor Co. has been participating in these training programs by accepting over 400 trainees. The Association for Overseas Technical Scholarship has requested Nissan to select the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia as the first country in which to conduct the Automobile Technical Service Training on the spot. Siraj H. Zahran and Nissan Motor companies have willingly and with pleasure agreed to this request."

Sheikh Ahmed Al Yahia director general of the Western Province labour office in an impromptu speech says, "I hope to see, in the very near future, all other similar companies adopting Siraj H. Zahran's excellent attitude towards the technical education of the youth of Saudi Arabia. I deeply congratulate the participants of this course and hope they will get the most possible benefits. On behalf of the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs, I thank and congratulate M/s. Siraj Zahran & Co. and assure that the ministry of labour and social affairs will put all possible facilities and assistance under their disposal. In conclusion I thank you very much once again for your audience."

Sheikh Kandeil said that the course has 46 candidates, all of whom graduates of technical institutes and have a two-year practical experience. They will receive theoretical and practical training for six hours a day through the best possible months, equipment and instruments in the electro-mechanics of cars and car technology in general. The course will last 40 days from February 17 to March 26 supervised by qualified teachers drawn from the Japanese Association for Overseas Technical Scholarship. Successful candidates will be given certificates testifying to their training. The certificates are validated by the Association and Nissan and Zahran companies. Sheikh Kandeil gave a luncheon party in honor of the guests.

Emotional Kabul ceremony mourns U.S. envoy's death

KABUL, Feb. 17 (Agencies) — A U.S. Marine guard opened and another guard and American woman fainted during an emotion-charged memorial service here Friday for slain Ambassador Adolph Dubs.

These are, for the American foreign service, troubled times," said Harry Barnes, director-general of the U.S. diplomatic corps, who arrived here on a presidential plane to bring back Dubs' body.

The U.S. Air Force plane, flying the body of the slain ambassador home for burial, Saturday after an equally emotional departure ceremony. The full diplomatic corps present at Kabul Airport at the Afghan government requested by Information Minister Bariq Shafi and two ministry ministers of foreign affairs.

But the country's two most powerful figures, President Nur Muhammad Taraki and Foreign Minister Hafizullah Amin, who described the 58-year-old Dubs, in condolence messages, as "a good friend of Afghanistan," were not present at the airport.

Mary Anne Dubs, who flew from Washington to accompany her husband's body, wept as the coffin was loaded aboard the plane.

She also sobbed throughout the memorial service.

U.S.-Afghan relations, not particularly cordial since a pro-Soviet regime took over in a coup have nose-dived with Dubs' death.

Although formally invited by diplomatic note, no member of the Afghan government attended the memorial service. However, the foreign ministry sent a wreath.

The funeral service will be held Tuesday morning at Arlington National Cemetery in Virginia.

Meanwhile, Soviet Ambassador to the United States Anatoly Dobrynin expressed profound regret Friday night over the death of Dubs and said Soviet advisers were not responsible for the Afghan government's handling of the incident, the State Department said.

30 Americans flown from Chad fighting

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17 (Agencies) — Thirty Americans have left the Central African country of Chad following escalating civil warfare in and around the capital city of N'djamena, the State Department has said.

Spokesman Hodding Carter said Friday George Henry Sufre, an American pilot for the Continental Oil Co., was killed by a stray bullet on Tuesday. Sufre's hometown was not disclosed.

Carter said some 170 Americans are living in N'djamena and the U.S. embassy has advised them to leave the city. He put the total number of Americans living in the former French colony at 230.

The Americans who departed Chad on Thursday included non-essential official employees and dependents of officials. Carter said two of the 300 flew out aboard a French flight carrying French evacuees to Gahon.

The destination of the remaining Americans who departed the country was not known.

President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing has said that planes would be provided for any French citizens who wish to leave the country. Spokesman Carter said France also has offered to help evacuate Americans.



King Hassan

King Hassan, Giscard discuss Iran, Africa

PARIS, Feb. 17 (AP) — King Hassan II of Morocco lunched with French President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing Friday and both reaffirmed their commitment to close ties.

The luncheon came on the third day of a private visit that included discussions about the turbulent situation in Africa and the Islamic world.

The presidents were also understood to have discussed the situation in Iran following the departure of the Shah who has been in Morocco since Jan. 22.

The Shah remained in Marrakesh, Morocco's winter capital, until Thursday when he drove to Rabat.

Talking with newsmen after Friday's lunch with Giscard d'Estaing and other French officials, Hassan said, "the Shah is living these events with his heart, because it is his country, and with his head, because he led it for 37 years."

Hassan has been concerned largely with the guerrilla war over the former Spanish Sahara.



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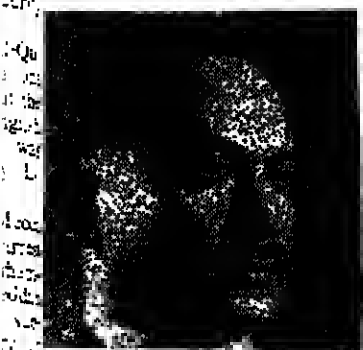
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Ziaur party seen winning today's Bangladesh polls



Gen. Ziaur, who is martial law administrator and military chief, has said martial law will be removed following the formation of a new parliament.

The president, who now seldom wears military uniforms, hopes to emerge as the democratically elected civilian leader of Bangladesh and to push through reforms.

There has been some improvement in the country's economy under Ziaur's rule and Bangladesh is expected to become self-sufficient in food within the next few years.

Ziaur released several hundred political prisoners prior to the election campaign but many are still believed to be inside.

Although the BNP is expected to win the election with a big majority, there is likely to be a strong representation in the new 300-member parliament of the Awami League (Majek) Party.

This is the party of former Bangladesh leader Sheikh Mujibur Rahman who was killed in the 1975 military coup.

Algeria affirms aid for Polisario

ALGIERS, Feb. 17 (R) — Foreign Minister Aziz Boutefflika has reiterated Algeria's support for the separatist movement in the Western Sahara but said his country had no dispute with Morocco. "Algeria's help and support for the National Liberation struggle of the Sahraui (Saharan) people are in conformity with the principle of my country to support all peoples in struggle..." he said Friday.

Egypt's adviser plans Japan visit

TOKYO, Feb. 17 (R) — Egyptian presidential adviser Hassan Muhammad el-Tokhami will arrive in Japan on Tuesday for a week-long visit to discuss the Middle East and bilateral economic relations, the foreign ministry said Saturday.

Arabs back nonaligned solidarity

BELGRADE, Feb. 17 (R) — Yugoslav President Tito has said the four Arab countries he visited this month supported his efforts to prevent divisions in the Nonaligned Movement. "We agreed that the movement could fulfill its extremely important international role...only if it acts as an independent force outside blocs," Tito said Friday in a statement on his tour of Kuwait, Iraq, Syria and Jordan.

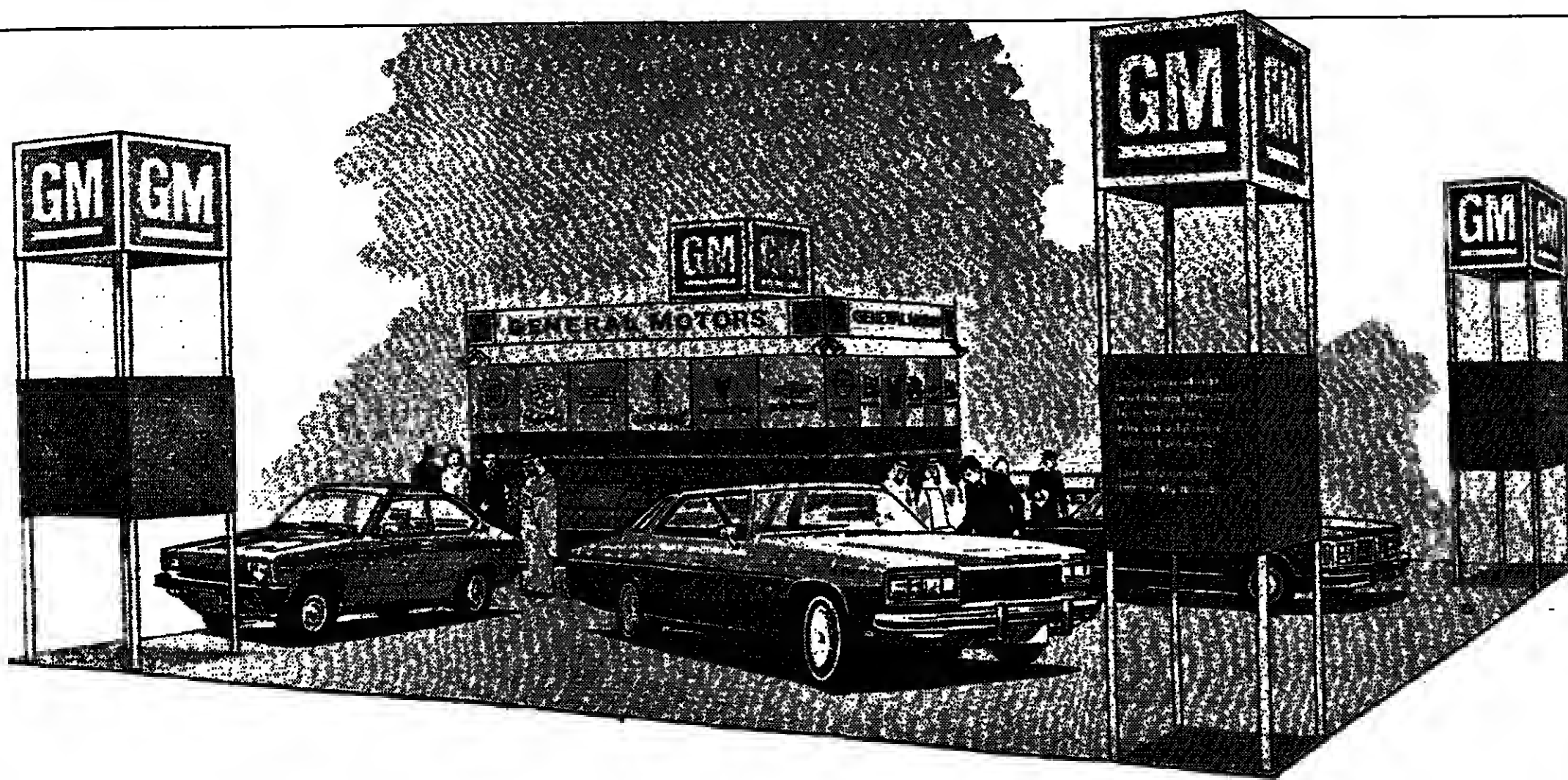
Dutch minister to visit Israel

THE HAGUE, Feb. 17 (R) — Dutch Foreign Minister Christoph Van der Klaauw will visit Israel from Feb. 24 to 27, it was officially announced here Saturday. His Israeli counterpart, Moshe Dayan, who resumes peace talks with Egypt in the United States next week, will not be available to meet him. So Van der Klaauw will be the guest of Prime Minister Begin, a ministry spokesman said.



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Snow, ice and blizzards

At least 58 die in icy European weather

PARIS, Feb. 17 (R)—A blast of Arctic weather has brought near paralysis to much of Europe and authorities blamed the cold snap for at least 58 deaths.

In France, heavy snow cut off highways as far south as Marseilles, where traffic was backed up for more than 20 kilometers north of the city and radio stations told motorists to stay home.

Troops in Holland battled with heavy machinery to clear blocked roads, bridges and dykes after a 36-hour blizzard which brought the country to a virtual standstill.

In Sweden, the main high-

ways reopened but cars traveled in convoys behind snowploughs escorted by police. In Denmark, traffic authorities estimated that 8,000 cars had been abandoned because of drifting snow.

Denmark also reported the worst tragedy so far from the freezing weather. The navy said 15 fishermen died in the North Sea off West Jutland when four fishing boats iced over and capsized.

In Britain, suffering its worst winter in 15 years, three railway men were killed in two separate accidents as they cleared snow from blocked tracks in northern England.

A sailor and a woman found frozen to death at a roadside near the West German North Sea port of Cuxhaven were among seven reported fatalities in West Germany. In Emden, a 35-year-old woman suffocated when the smoke pipes from her heating system froze.

Divided Koreans discuss unity in first meeting for six years

PANMUNJOM, Korean Demilitarized Zone, Feb. 17 (R)—Senior North and South Korean officials shook hands for the first time in six

years Saturday as discussions reopened on possible reunification of the Peninsula and its 53 million people. South Korean officials said

Elsewhere in West Germany, about 150 children were evacuated from a freezing orphanage at St. Peter Ording after heating oil ran out and trucks could not get through snow-blocked roads to replenish it.

Army tanks helped ploughs to clear the drifts.

In the Soviet Union, Moscow Radio reported that the far eastern port of Vanino was blocked by ice pushed in by strong northeast winds and even the polar icebreaker Leningrad could not get through.

The weather hampered shipping elsewhere in Europe.



RUBBISH: Piles of garbage turned London's Leicester Square into a dump last week during the garbage collectors' strike. That has since come to an end, and a new pay offer that is being negotiated with other public workers may bring about a wider agreement. (AP photo)

New pay offer may end British strikes

LONDON, Feb. 17 (AP)—

An end to the public service workers' strike that has disrupted British hospitals, schools and refuse disposal for nearly four weeks appears possible next week after a new pay offer from municipalities.

The employers' bargaining

unit offered a raise of more than nine per cent in negotiations for more than a million low-paid workers who had been demanding a 40 per cent increase.

Scattered nationwide strikes are to continue, however. About 1,150 schools have been closed for lack of fuel and janitors. About 600 of the country's 2,300 hospitals are taking emergency cases only, and snow-dug roads and stacks of garbage testify to other disruption.

The hospital situation has improved since last week. Then nearly half were taking only emergencies.

A new target for the strike is Edinburgh, where walkouts forced the cancellation of a six-nation ice hockey tournament and prevented sending of icy roads.

Bundestag members vow to waive Nazi time limit

BONN, Feb. 17 (R)—Over 230 members of the West German Bundestag have pledged support for a proposed change in the law to prevent Nazi criminals still at large from escaping justice.

The parliamentary deputies from all three parties put their names to draft resolutions in favor of suspending the Statute of Limitations.

From the end of this year the statute, unless repealed, will prevent prosecution for crimes committed more than 30 years ago.

Bonn has been strongly urged to amend the statute. Amendment requires only a simple majority of members present and voting in the Bundestag, which has a strength of 496.

America hands over Philippines bases

CLARK AIR BASE, Philippines Feb. 17 (AP)—The United States has surrendered command of Clark Air Base and Subic Naval Base, symbolically redeeming a promise to end all control over Filipino soil.

The bases are considered the anchors of American military strength in Asia and the western Pacific.

After his top general ran the Filipino flag alone up an 80-meter staff at the gate of Clark Air Base, President Ferdinand Marcos declared:

"Finally and at last, America redeems her word to the Filipino people."

Two hours later and 40 kilometers away, a similar ceremony followed at the Subic Bay Base, where Marcos begged forgiveness for the moment's feeling of elation among Filipinos.

"Only those nations who have been oppressed over the centuries can understand the emotional dimensions of your flag being raised over your territory," Marcos said.

General David Jones, chairman of the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff, and American Ambassador Richard Murphy, who read messages from President Jimmy Carter and Defense Secretary Harold Brown, represented the United States at both ceremonies.

The recognition of Philippine sovereignty, including the turnover of command of what are now known officially as Clark Air Base of the Armed Forces of the Philippines and Subic Naval Base of the Armed Forces of the Philippines, are among provisions of amendments signed last month to the 32-year-old United States-Philippine bases agreement.

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But key issues remain

Carter's Mexico talks end on upbeat note

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 17 (AP) — President Jimmy Carter's troubled Mexican summit ended on an upbeat note Friday with an agreement to seek a fair price for anticipated U.S. purchases of Mexican natural gas.

Carter told members of both houses of the Mexican Congress that his 48-hour visit achieved progress, although the key issues dividing the two

neighbors will take years to settle.

Carter and President Jose Lopez Portillo announced in a joint communique that they agreed to launch government-to-government sub-cabinet talks aimed at setting a framework for determining gas prices. This framework would be used by private firms on specific deals.

The two presidents agreed,

at Carter's suggestion, to meet again in three months, and also reached agreements on scientific exchanges, desert management and housing.

Carter returned to the White House, on his way to Camp David, to meet with Vice President Walter Mondale and other advisers for a briefing on developments in Iran.

At a news conference after the Carters' departure, Lopez

Portillo said no agreements were reached on petroleum sales to the United States, but that his talks with the U.S. president "will provide the foundation for future agreements."

"I am deeply satisfied with the result of this meeting," said Lopez Portillo, who began lecturing Carter and the United States shortly after the visit began.

He beat Carter to an announcement that former Florida Governor Reubin Askew has been asked to head a congressional mandated commission to report by 1980 on immigration and refugee problems, a key issue that went unresolved during the summit.

In the nine-page joint communique, Mexico for the first time agreed that it shares the migration problem with the United States.

The document was vague about natural gas sales, stating that "the two presidents agreed to have their government representatives meet as soon as possible and begin discussing the best means to facilitate decisions on these matters."

Quake rumbles through north Andes

AREQUIPA, Peru, Feb. 17 (AP) — A pre-dawn earthquake shook an extensive region of southern Peru and northern Chile Friday, killing three persons and injuring more than 50 in this colonial city, government officials reported.

Entire reports from the National Civil Defense head-

quarters in Lima, some 1,000 kilometers to the north, had placed the number of dead at five.

The government news agency ESI-Peru and local authorities said a woman and two children were killed by falling walls as they ran outside their homes seeking safety.

The quake struck at 5:09 a.m., and continued for some

45 seconds. The tremor shook buildings, broke windows and toppled more than 100 adobe and volcanic rock homes in Arequipa's slum districts.

A dense dust cloud hovered over the city four hours later as volunteers searched for victims and city crews worked to restore electricity, water and other damaged public utilities.

The quake was recorded by seismographs at the San Augustin National University at 6 degrees on the Mercalli Scale, which has a maximum of 12 degrees.

The Peruvian Institute of Geophysics in Lima said its seismographs measured an intensity of 6.2 degrees on the Richter scale.

Aerial Alaska wolf hunt proposed to save moose

JUNEAU, Alaska, Feb. 17 (AP) — Airplane wolf hunts, criticized by environmentalist groups, again have been proposed by Alaska officials in an effort to save a dwindling moose population that rural residents depend on for food.

"We fully understand that this is a very emotional issue," one top game official said

meetings on the proposal will be held later this year.

Most of the land proposed for the hunt is owned by the federal government, and some of the acreage has been proposed for a national wildlife refuge, Skoog said.

"We have a situation where they're just not coming back," State Fish and Game Commissioner Ronald Skoog said of the moose population.

He said the state wants experienced hunters to shoot at least 170 wolves from airplanes. If the public doesn't protest, game officials may do the shooting from helicopters, Skoog said.

About 35,000 square miles of Alaska's interior would be open for the hunt. No bounty would be paid but hunters could sell the pelts, Skoog said.

Skoog said state officials have gone "as far as they can go" to reduce moose hunting, without completely eliminating hunting for sport.

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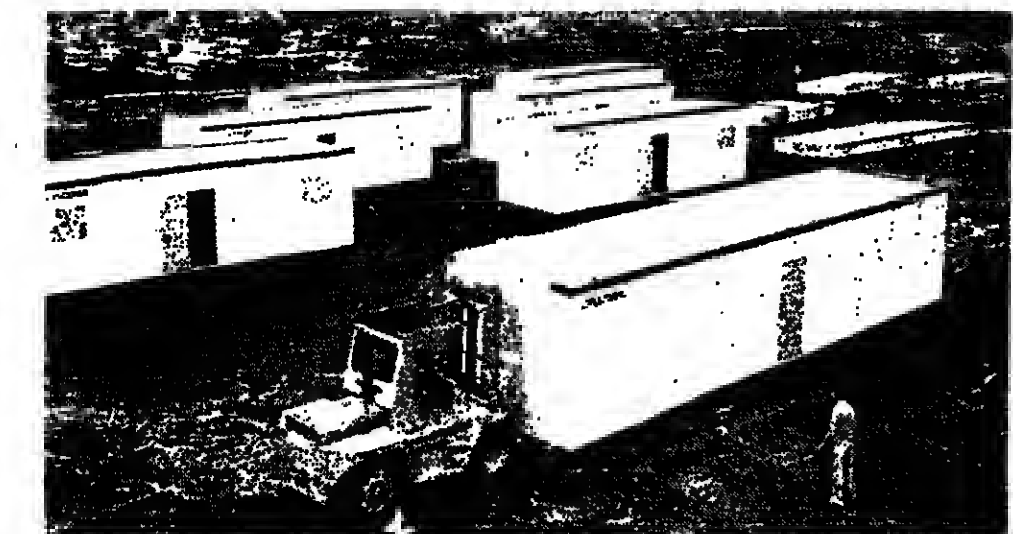
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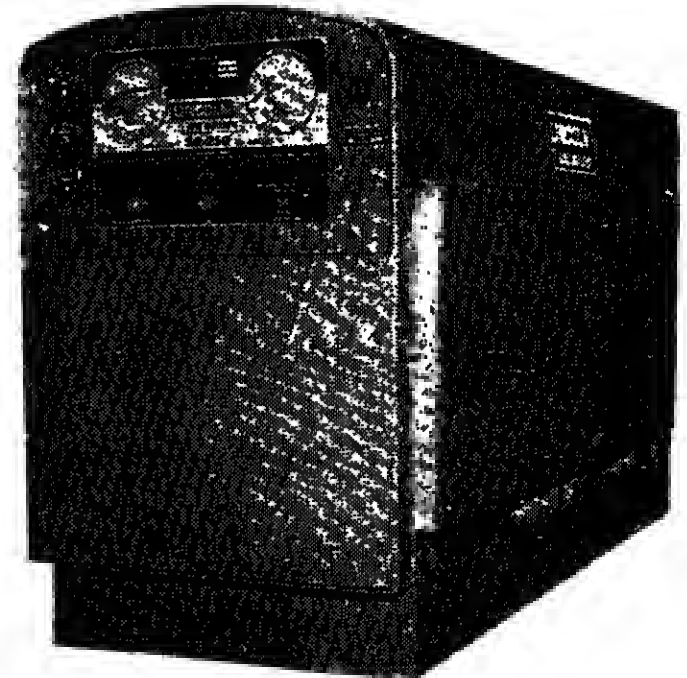
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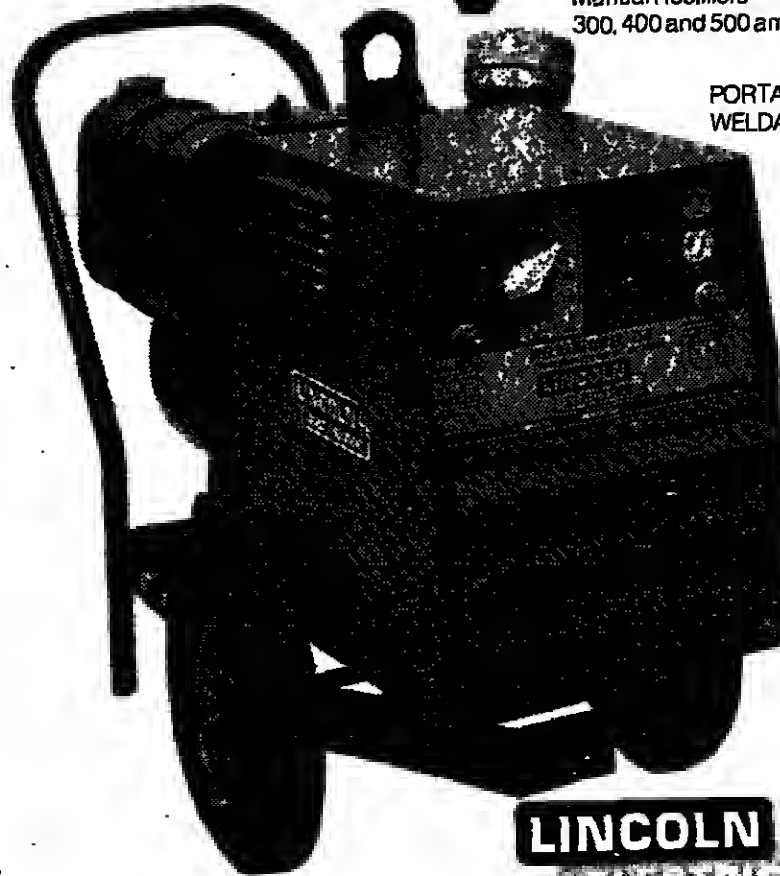
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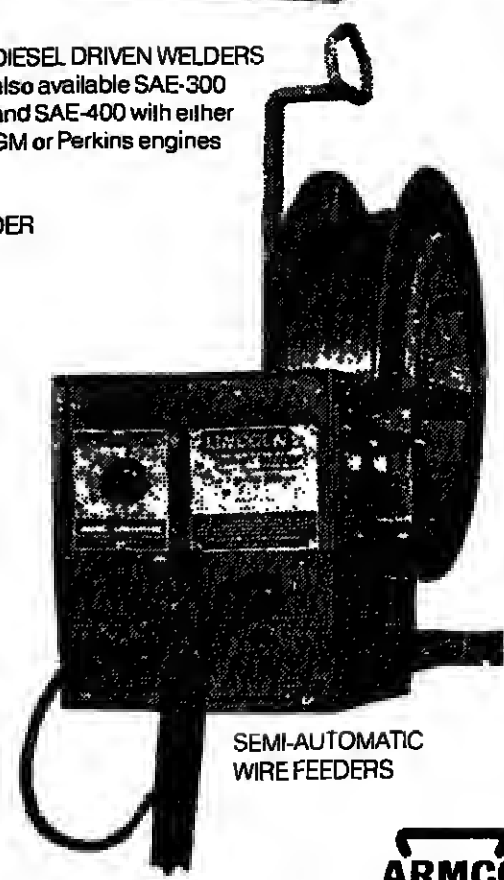
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A GREAT DAY

Yesterday was a great day for the Palestinians as their leader Yasser Arafat visited Tehran and was received by the Ayatollah Khomeini who handed over to him the keys to the Israeli trade mission in Tehran to be used as the Palestine Liberation Organization office.

The Palestinians have thus gained a powerful new friend in the Iranian revolution and in the person of the Ayatollah who does not seem to care who he displeases in his espousal of the just and tragic cause of the Palestinians. In contrast to Khomeini, the old regime in Tehran had nurtured extremely close relations with the Israelis at the expense of the Arabs and the holy city of Jerusalem. It was always sad and depressing to see an Islamic state giving hospitality and recognition to another whose troops colonize three Arab states and occupy one of their holiest cities and shrines. This is now no more and Iran's action in severing all kinds of relations with Israel and reinstating the Palestinians, is a historic victory for the Palestinians and the Arabs and a new fillip to the struggle to regain the holy city.

This is an extremely significant development in the Middle East and even if it does not show tangible results in the immediate future, its repercussions are bound to be felt for a long time to come.

WELCOME QUEEN

Britain's Queen Elizabeth II touched down yesterday at Riyadh at the start of a visit that is a formal recognition of the interdependence of the two countries. The skill of National Guard bagpipers at Riyadh Airport that greeted the British royal party is perhaps the least significant contribution of Great Britain to Saudi Arabia but is as evocative as the crude realities of trade figures and oil imports.

While the visit of a constitutional monarch must always dwell in the realm of the picturesque, British officials accompanying the Queen are expected to cover much ground with their Saudi colleagues on vital questions raised by recent events in Iran and over what Britain can contribute to Saudi development.

Britain needs Saudi Arabia as a market and a source of jobs at home just as closely as the Kingdom needs British expertise in engineering, medicine or even English that makes Saudi Arabia home from home for 13,000 Britons. This atmosphere of mutual benefit has never been soured by post-colonial bitterness; although the British Foreign Office backed King Abdul Aziz' foe in the Hijaz in the 1920s, at least the British government of India did well by the King.

Tawdry disputes over borders have long ago evaporated. An atmosphere of mutual trust has built up — helped not hindered by Britain's withdrawal from its protective role on the world stage. Saudi Arabia will continue to appreciate the efforts of Britain to undo the muddles of the colonial era.

For Britain, the lump on the map between London and Bombay has grown into something of infinitely greater significance — the arbiters of stability in the fuel that moves its industrial economy. For British officials in Riyadh and surely for the Queen herself, this fact will never be quite concealed by the pageantry of the races and desert entertainments.

As a lady sovereign visiting Saudi Arabia, Queen Elizabeth has no forerunner. But she is preceded by her kinswoman, Princess Alice, Countess of Athlone, who made a pioneering motor crossing of Saudi Arabia the same week in 1938 that King Abdul Aziz received the momentous news of the tests on Dammam Seven.

SURVIVAL!

The U.S. Secretary of Defense Harold Brown visited Saudi Arabia, Jordan, Israel and finally Egypt. During his tour of Arab countries he spoke of peace and stability and the need to ward off foreign aggression and foreign-instigated subversion. But during his visit to Israel he reiterated America's commitment to Israeli survival and, according to press reports, promised further military supplies to it. He failed however, or did not want, to make a fine distinction between Israel's survival and the continuation of its occupation of Arab lands and denial of Palestinian rights which was made possible by unlimited American military support. Nor did he care to find out how Israel would cooperate with the U.S. in bringing about a just and lasting settlement in the Middle East when it has so much military power at its disposal, thanks to American largess.

Israeli Prime Minister Menahem Begin was reported to be "extremely satisfied" at the result of his talks with Brown which dealt with Israeli requests for new weapons estimated to be worth several billion dollars. All this seems to tally with Kissinger's approach to the Middle East problem which was summed up in more arms to Israel to "prevent a military solution." All that it succeeded in doing is to prevent a peaceful solution as well.



"Maybe we should've tested it at Kitty Hawk."

Independence in St. Lucia

By Jeremy Taylor
 CASTRIES, St. Lucia — "From seventy-nine, St. Lucia is mine!" The slogan, composed by a St. Lucian schoolgirl, was recommended to the 120,000 people of this tiny eastern Caribbean island by their Premier, John Compton.

It has a certain relish about it, which reflects the long drawn out process of negotiating full independence from Britain; "absolutely intolerable and humiliating," Compton called it last year, as he shuffled with his negotiators between St. Lucia and Whitehall, "like mendicants seeking favors from a master."

But on Feb. 22 full independence finally comes to St. Lucia after more than a century and-a-half of colonial rule and nearly 12 years of semi-autonomy under British protection. Independence is being furiously opposed by the minority Labor Party. Not that it is against freedom; but it argues strongly that independence has been agreed by Compton over the heads of opposition groups and the people.

There is the added prospect of independence euphoria boosting Compton's electoral support, which has been declining during his nearly 15 years in power, and giving him a further term following elections which have to be called by May.

Angry protests have been fired off to Whitehall, and early in December opposition supporters attacked the hotel where the British High Commissioner to Barbados was staying, smashing windows and doors. The gentleman was out at the time.

But apart from this — and one or two nervous spasms like banning visiting left-wing speakers and clamping down on public servants with political ambitions — Compton has

set in St. Lucia the sort of development course that brings joy to the hearts of international bankers.

His main coup has been to attract the American oil firm Amerasia Hess, which is building an oil trans-shipment terminal on the island and a large free port zone, and may add an oil refinery.

This \$150 million development is by far the biggest in the Windward and Leeward Islands and spells out to Compton's government the "magic words" "internationalization," even though the contract includes conditions which are slightly humiliating for the island.

St. Lucia also has a small and rapidly expanding manufacturing sector, the largest in the island group where agriculture has been the traditional economic mainstay. Manufacturing crept up from a quarter of exports in 1974 to half in 1976.

And the island has several other things which its neighbors wish they had; geothermal energy in the south, which is being developed to support industrial expansion away from the capital; the biggest budget in the group; and a massive development program upon which a high authority, in the shape of the World Bank and the IMF, smiles.

Consequently, Compton confidently predicts real growth in the island's Gross Domestic Product of 4 to 5 per cent over the next three years, a forecast which would make much better known premiers, like Michael Manley in Jamaica and Forbes Burnham in Guyana, delirious with relief.

Even in the more traditional economic sectors, St. Lucia's prospects look bright. Hotel occupancy crept up last year by 12 per cent to 71 per cent, pointing the tourist benefits of direct links with Britain and

North America. And development aid is being used to expand and revitalize traditional exports like bananas, coconuts and cocoa.

Compton has shown himself to be perhaps the most efficient economic manager in the smaller eastern Caribbean Islands, and one who is carefully following the middle road ideologically. He is strongly pro-CARICOM (the Caribbean economic community) and has gained the most benefit from it of all the region's less developed states.

He has established warm relations with the nearest continental power, Venezuela, which is anxiously providing aid; and, while technically non-aligned, he shows not the faintest interest in establishing a radical or leftist Third World position. Clearly, Compton has accepted the thesis that the future of mini-states depends on maintaining warm relations with powerful patrons.

Like the other Associated States of the Caribbean, St. Lucia has been dependent on Britain since 1967 only in the areas of foreign affairs and defense. In neither can individual islands afford to create their own independent facilities which is why the next few months may well see the establishment of common services.

The four islands which expect independence this year — St. Lucia, St. Vincent, Antigua and St. Kitts — have already agreed in principle on a common diplomatic service.

And it seems likely now that some form of mutual defense arrangement will be concluded, largely on the initiative of Barbados, which has a 1,500-strong territorial force and is in the process of establishing a full-time defense force.

One of the main motives will be protection of fishing zones. — (OFNS)

A bleak energy assessment

By J.P. Smith

WASHINGTON — Carter administration officials are now privately conceding that the United States is likely to return to gasoline lines and Sunday gas-station closings if Iran's oil shutdown continues through the rest of the year.

This bleak assessment is offered on the heels of Energy Secretary James Schlesinger's remark that the Iranian oil shutdown was "prospectively more serious" than the 1973 Arab oil embargo. The new assessment stems from State Department and Central Intelligence Agency "best-case" analyses suggesting that Iran would return to its previous production levels by December. Many officials, including Schlesinger, have already ruled that out publicly.

Sen. Henry Jackson, democrat of Washington, has flatly predicted, "We will have to shortly undertake a program of (oil) allocations." Jackson, chairman of the Senate energy

committee, went on to say, "it will start out with a prohibition of gasoline sales on Sunday," and that gasoline prices could mount to \$1 a gallon within the next year.

Energy and State Department officials and major oil-company executives meanwhile are saying that spot market prices for oil have risen so rapidly in recent weeks — nearly \$6 a barrel in some instances — that the oil exporters may abandon their official posted prices that would have raised oil prices 14.5 per cent by December, for still higher prices. Qatar and the United Arab Emirates both raised their prices for light crudes over the weekend. Algeria and Nigeria, two of Africa's biggest oil exporters, are also said to be considering boosting their light crude prices.

At the same time the ranks of the major oil companies that have begun to restrict sales of oil and petroleum products — many for different reasons — have widened to include Texaco, Continental Oil Co., Ex-

xon, Royal Dutch Shell, British Petroleum and Standard Oil Co. of California.

Another uncertainty in the increasingly taut world oil market is whether states such as Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Libya, Venezuela and Nigeria will continue the stepped-up production they initiated to make up for 5 million barrels a day in lost Iranian exports.

Despite the talk of \$1-a-gallon gasoline and gas-station lines, there is ample evidence that the world may not be sliding towards a crippling oil crisis.

The Iranian shortage, once additional production from other exporters is taken into consideration, is still only 2 to 3 million barrels a day, out of a free world market that produces, sells, and consumes more than 50 million barrels a day.

The shortfall in the United States is currently only about 500,000 barrels a day, compared to nearly 1.6 million barrels a day lost during the 1973 Arab oil embargo. — (WP)

Tightening Africa's budgets

By David Lamb

NAIROBI — After years of carefree spending and often reckless planning, Black Africa is tightening its purse strings and trying to remedy the hangover from its massive spending spree.

From the coffee plantations of Kenya to the oil fields of Gabon, finance ministers and heads of state are sounding the same warning: Hard, lean times have arrived, and the economic folly of adolescent statehood must now yield to the sensible management of financial realities.

Plans and dreams are being scaled back almost everywhere. Construction is being curtailed, priorities re-examined, budgets trimmed. Austerity and modesty — words seldom heard during Africa's early independence years — are the slogans of 1978.

President Omar Bongo of Gabon, although his people's \$2,600 per capita income is the highest in Black Africa, said: "Gabon has entered into a period of economic slowdown. Rigorous finance, austerity and prudence are the law by which we must live for at least the next three years."

The Nigerian head of state, Lt. Gen. Olusegun Obasanjo, whose country has the highest gross national product in Black Africa, says: "We must all embark on the greatest care and economy in expenditure by all public institutions, and a return to sanity in the interests of national economy. The nation must cut its coat according to its cloth."

And in Kenya, where agricultural development has been one of Black Africa's real success stories, Vice President and Finance Minister Kibaki adds: "The era of soft options for Kenyans is over. Only tough options remain."

It is significant to note that Gabon, Nigeria, and Kenya rank high on the list of Black Africa's most prosperous countries. But in each, the oil or coffee bonoms of the mid-1970s created a false sense of financial security that engendered wild spending on flashy and

often unnecessary projects and a reluctance to plan for future retrenchments.

Gabon reached peak oil production in 1974, just as oil prices tripled. Nigeria's oil revenues shot from less than \$400 million in the early 1960s to more than \$9 billion a dozen years later.

Kenya was receiving \$1,600 a ton for its coffee in 1976. The next year it was getting nearly \$4,000 a ton.

The coffee boom enabled President Idi Amin of Uganda to balance his books for the first time since coming to power in 1971 — and left excess millions to buy guns for troops and television sets for his top officers. So valuable was the black gold that Amin chartered jets that hauled coffee four times a day from Uganda to Djibouti for export by ship.

But suddenly the world demand for oil slackened, and coffee prices, which had escalated after a frost in Brazil, fell back to more normal levels (Kenya now receives about \$2,000 a ton). With economies that are neither industrialized nor diversified, Black Africa was hard-pressed to counter the loss of revenue.

Similar fates had befallen Zambia and Zaire earlier this decade. Both had lived lavishly on world copper prices tumbling. Today, with their mines producing at reduced rates, Zaire owes its creditors \$3.5 billion; Zambia owes nearly \$1 billion.

In Nigeria, the government will have to borrow \$4.5 billion this year to finance its ongoing development projects. It has sold 2,000 luxury limousines, cut back expenditures 10 per cent and banned a lengthy list of imported items ranging from spaghetti to shoes.

Gabon launched an austerity program known as Plan Bongo. Admitting that it, like Nigeria, tried to do too much too fast with too little planning, President Bongo's government has cut back on its \$30 billion, five-year development plan and is putting its first serious efforts into developing the agricultural

sector. The construction equipment that a year ago towered above the freeways and high-rises of Libreville, the capital, now stands idle.

Kenya, too, has seen the bloom of prosperity fade. Foreign exchange reserves are down to two months of imports, defense spending has increased from 5 per cent to 14 per cent of the budget since 1975, and the International Monetary Fund reportedly has called on Kenya to devalue its shilling, as it did in October 1975.

In moves that startled most Kenyans because of their suddenness and severity, the government has launched an immensely popular campaign against corrupt public officials, instituted tough import restrictions that will hurt the privileged elite but have little effect on the impoverished masses, ordered all companies to hire 10 per cent more employees and established a 10 per cent surtax for any resident who buys airplane tickets in local currency.

Inflation is running about 22 per cent a year in Kenya — a modest level by African standards. The government hopes to halt the spiral and reduce its reliance on foreign loans by convincing Kenyans to invest their money in savings institutions — a distinctly non-African tradition. Late last year the government introduced national savings bonds, selling for as little as \$1.30 each.

"It's a healthy thing that governments like Kenya's are honestly taking stock of the situation," said a Western economist here. "What you're seeing, I think, is Africa entering a new period of maturity in economic management."

Despite the tougher times ahead, most African countries would be pleased to find themselves in the position of Kenya or Gabon. They still retain positions of economic leadership on the continent, and the very fact that they have moved with candor and purpose to curtail lavish spending may help explain why their futures remain brighter than those of most of their neighbors. — (LAT)

saudi press review

After the departure of Britain from the Gulf region as the controlling foreign power, relations between the states and Britain have been growing rapidly in the right direction.

Since there are no longer any problems to cloud Anglo-Arab relations, there have been ample opportunities for the development of bilateral relations, according to "Al-Medina" editorial.

But the Arab world cannot but assess bilateral relations by the other party's attitude regarding the Palestinian issue and the occupied Arab lands.

The Kingdom and other countries pin their hopes on British understanding and sympathy as it was the most closely bound country with the problem since its inception. Although British policy so far has been satisfactory, we expect it to do even more with its European partners in the service of a just and lasting peace in the region.

Although Britain has lost its paramount position in the Gulf region when it quit its international role, there is still a lot that it can do in cooperation with the states of the area that once was its protectorate, according to "Al-Riyadh." This role is economic, the paper added, and Britain can offer substantial assistance to the states concerned through its trade and technology.

"We are pleased to welcome Her Majesty the Queen and British cooperation in our development for our mutual benefit."

Commenting on Israel's request for more arms from the United States and U.S. reassurances to it through U.S.

Secretary of Defense Harold Brown who reaffirmed his country's commitment to Israel's security, "Okaz" wondered who is really the aggressor in the Middle East problem. Why does Israel want all this American arsenal. Harold Brown's statement, the paper said, suggests that the Arabs are occupying Israeli territory.

Israel which is occupying the land of three Arab states is trying hard to persuade the American government that it should replace Iran as the policeman of imperialist interests in the region. The truth is that Israel is taking advantage of the current situation in order to obtain all the arms it needs to pursue its policy of expansionism.

"Al-Bilad" columnist said he could swear that there is a kind of pact between the companies

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Islamic coins and an empire in history

By a Staff Reporter

DHAHRAN—What is an Islamic coin? Dr. 'Ali Kettani, numismatist and self-instructed expert on the subject, defines an Islamic coin as one on which Arabic script is used. There are some exceptions, however, as he is quick to point out: The earliest coins struck after the Arab conquest of Persia and North Africa employed other languages (Pahlavi in Persia and Latin in North Africa). An example of this latter phenomenon is provided by a coin struck in Tunis around 710 A.D. The first Arab governor of North Africa, Musa ibn Nusayr, is identified on it in Latin with a 'declaration, again in Latin, of Islamic faith.

Centuries later, however, Arabic coins served as models for European coinage, as in the case of Spanish and Sicilian productions, and more flagrantly, in coins struck by Crusader states in the Levant as weapons of economic warfare.

Islamic coins were struck, not surprisingly, wherever Islam took root and that covers most of the Old World. In Europe, Islamic influence was dominant, at one time or another, in the Iberian peninsula, southern Italy and Sicily, Crete, and the Balkans. In Asia, Muslims spread the faith as far as the Caucasus and Siberia in the north, Burma and Indonesia in the east.

Dr. Kettani, Professor of Electrical Engineering at Dhahran's University of Petroleum and Minerals, is interested in all aspects of Islamic culture. From his point of view, numismatology provides a fascinating study which reflects developments inside Islamic society down through the centuries; for it is only in their historical context that coins can be properly appreciated.

The inscription and artistry on coins invariably offer some clue to the society which produces them. This is certainly the case with Islamic coins, which reflect with great fidelity the political circumstances, priorities, economic policy, and cultural evolution of the various states and dynasties that struck them.

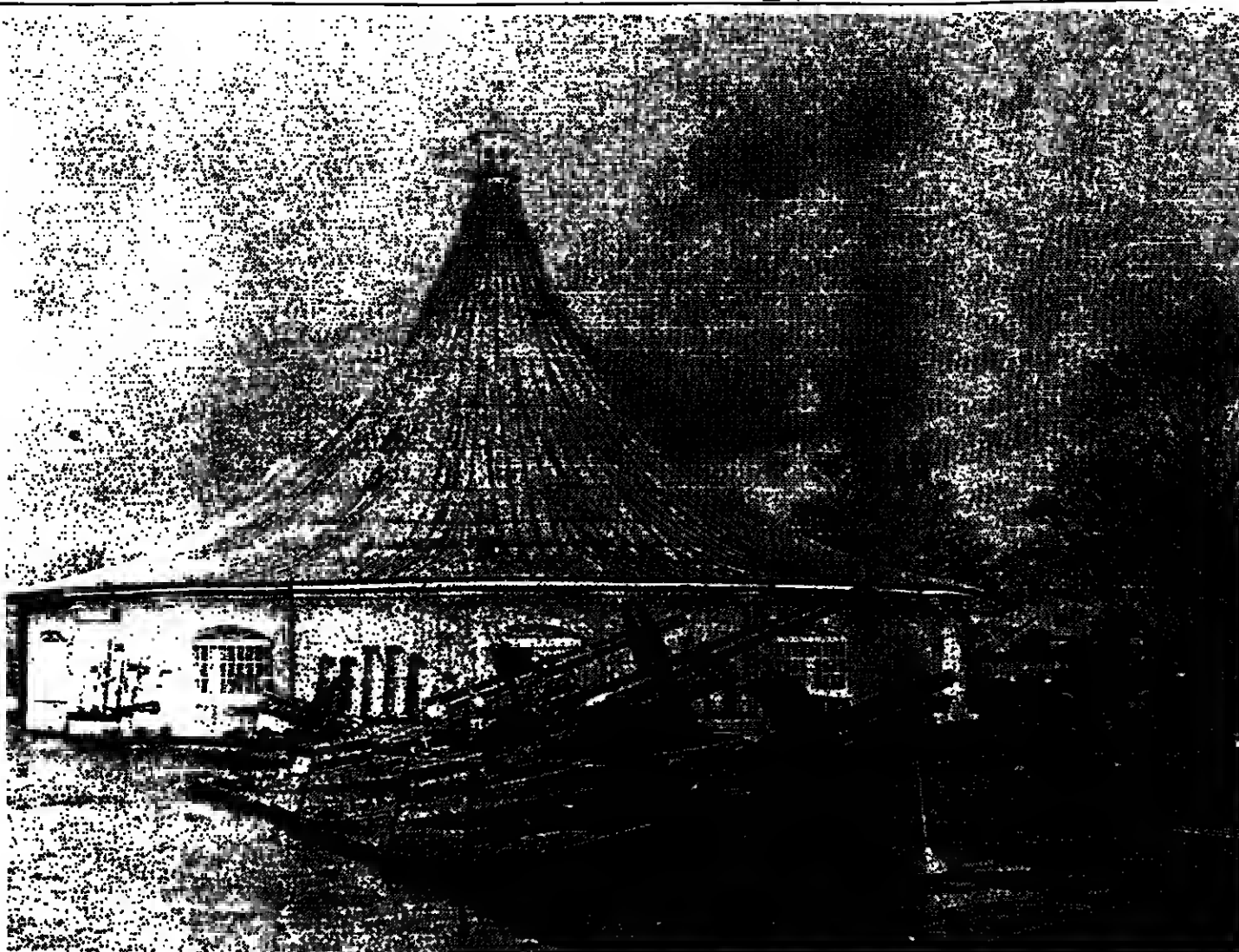
At the time of the Prophet's death, only Persian and Byzantine coins were used in the Near East. Arabia consisted of city states which did not mint coins. The era from 41 A.H. to 132 A.H. (661-750 A.D.) witnessed the first major developments in Islamic coins.

One of the new ruler's concerns was to Islamize existing services. Mints dormant under the Byzantine Empire were revived under the Muslims. But the first issues of coins followed, in the case of gold and copper coins, Byzantine models, and in the case of silver, Pahlavi types. The "dramma," a silver coin of the ancient Greeks, became the Arabic "dihnam." Gold coins were called "dinars," a word which has its etymological roots in the Latin "denarius," just as the word "filis" used for copper coinage, evolved from the word "folia." Change came slowly, but this was dictated in part by policy: The Umayyad caliphs ruled over subjects whose culture was Byzantine or Persian. A conscious effort was made not to alienate them. Under Mu'awiya, coins were struck in Homs with the image of the Byzantine Emperor intact, but with the declaration "There is no God but God" inscribed on them.

Reform was undertaken by the Caliph Abdul Malik ibn Marwan. During his reign, a silver coin was struck in which the image of three Zoroastrian fire altars was replaced by an article of Islamic faith. Around the rim on one side of the coin was written, in Arabic:

"Muhammad is the messenger of God, who sent him with guidance and the religion of truth so it will overcome the whole world even though the unbelievers may dislike it."

On the obverse side of the coin, again around the rim, runs the expression, "In the



GUNS IN A TENT: The British Museum of Artillery in the Rotunda at Woolwich is one of the least known but most elegantly housed of all London's many museums. Yet this little known collection showing the development of artillery from earliest times to the present was begun 200 years ago, making it only 20 years junior in age to the British Museum.—(British Tourist Authority)

name of God, this dirham has been struck in Wasit in the year 85 A.H." There is no mention of king or governor.

Wasit, a town which lay 200 kilometers northeast of modern Basra in Iraq, was the principal Umayyad silver mint. It was destroyed during the Mongol invasion of the area during the 13th century. Umayyad mints numbered in the dozens and extended from such locations as Carthage in North Africa and Persopolis in Persia.

The face of the caliph, Abdul Malik ibn Marwan, appears in place of the Byzantine emperor on some copper coins with his name on the rim, but this sort of coin quickly disappeared. Artistic elements — such as a palm branch motif found on some coins from a mint in Tangier — made their first appearance about this time.

Gold coins struck during the Umayyad dynasty resemble Byzantine originals but, from the time of Abdul Malik ibn Marwan, Koranic inscriptions occupy the center of such coins.

Opposition to the Umayyad dynasty resulted in the establishment of a new dynasty, the Abbasid, which spans the years 132 to 656 A.H. (794-1258 A.D.). This period of Arab ascendancy epitomizes for many Westerners the essence of Oriental splendor. With their capital at Baghdad, the Abbasid caliphs patronized the sciences and presided over what might be considered the first "Renaissance" of ancient learning. This half-millennium is subdivided into three periods: The first, from 132 to 334 A.H. (794-946 A.D.) when the Abbasid caliphs exercised temporal power; the second, from 346 to 1170 A.D. when they did not — not even in Baghdad; and the third, from 1170 A.D. to the sack of Baghdad by the Mongols in 1258. No Abbasid coins were struck during the second period of Abbasid history, when the caliph wielded no real power. What came from the first and the third periods are significantly different.

The first Abbasid coin in gold has in its center the declaration, "Muhammad is the messenger of God." Mint indications are given by such symbols in the Arabic "mim" which signifies Medina as-Salam: Baghdad was known as the City of Peace. Coins with the name of a contemporary minister of finance, such as Jafar, 180-185 A.H., appear. And for the first time on a gold coin, the name of a caliph — in this instance, Al-Mutawakkil — is given on a piece struck in Misr (Cairo) in 241 A.H.

The era of Abbasid hegemony in the eastern Mediterranean coincided with the rise of secessionist states to the West. Alid refugees set up the Idrisid dynasty in Morocco. Alid Rahman, the grandson of the last Umayyad caliph of Damascus, fled to Spain, where he established an independent Muslim kingdom of great renown. Nominal allegiance was offered the caliph in Baghdad by all secessionist states, but in most respects, these entities

were sovereign states.

Both Spain and Morocco minted their own coins, which were mostly silver. They frequently contain a good deal of information, but their workmanship is inferior to that of the original Umayyad models. They were, however, more artistically decorated. Mint indications are generic: "Andalus" on a coin meant that it was struck at Cordova. One coin, issued in 331 A.H., echoes Abdul Rahman el Nasser for the first time with the title, "Emir Mumineen," that is to say, "Leader of the Faithful," the Spanish secession was complete, commemorated by the striking of a coin.

The rise of a Fatimid state in North Africa (909-1161 A.D.) presented a more serious challenge inside the Muslim world. Other secessionist states were religiously orthodox; the Fatimids were not. With their belief that the seventh Imam was hidden and would return, and their absolutist attitudes toward political leadership, the new power in North Africa diverged significantly from the mainstream of Islam. This was reflected in their coinage, which differed from what Arab mints had thus far produced. In 313 A.H., a gold coin was struck with the declaration "All is the supporter of the cause of Allah" at the center. Although this was a sentiment with which all Muslims would agree, its use was politically inspired. The Fatimid dynasty was overthrown by Saladin, known in the West for his successful campaigns against the Crusader states in the Levant, who re-established religious orthodoxy in the Arab world.

Competition between the Crusader domains and neighboring Muslim states assumed an economic guise when both sides coined coins which bore a resemblance to the enemy's, partly in the hope of luring valuable metal like silver for more common copper. Some Islamic coins struck at this time are similar to the ancient Greek. A Seljuk coin, minted in 595 A.H. under Rukn-Deen Suleiman, bears the image of a man on horseback with a halo surrounding his head.

The field of Islamic numismatics is vast and this brief survey of Umayyad and Abbasid coins does not touch upon the developments in coinage during such periods as the Ottoman Empire, or in areas geographically remote. India, for example, was ruled for one thousand years by Muslims who issued their own distinctive coins. For the Western numismatist in search of new discoveries, the study of these coins, whose history spans 14 centuries, is enormously rewarding.

A handsome book on Islamic coins has recently appeared to entice collectors away from an exclusive concern with European numismatics: "The World of Islam" by Michael Michener, published by Hawkins of London, offers splendid photographs of coins selected from all periods of Islamic history. Both the serious collector and the casual browser would be well advised to glance through it.

Arab cavalry in Roman Europe

By Bob Lebling

WASHINGTON Bureau — A classic scholar in Chicago says he has discovered proof that an Arab cavalry unit was stationed in Roman-occupied Europe in the 3rd century A.D. — the first known Arab military force to serve with the Roman Army outside the Middle East.

A new translation of an ancient inscription indicates that an armored cavalry unit composed of skilled Nabataean horsemen was based in Gaul, what is now the French town of Vitrolles, near Aix-en-Provence, in about 250 A.D., according to A.N. Oikonomides, executive editor of the scholarly journal "Ancient World."

The inscription, found on a stone in the bell-tower of a church in Vitrolles 11 years ago, was written in Greek letters but until now has been considered an example of a little known ancient Gallic language.

Oikonomides says the brief text, part of which has been effaced by weathering or other causes, is indeed in the Greek language.

"It is actually a very important historical text connected with the auxiliary forces of the

Roman Imperial army in Galatia Narbonensis, which originated from the Greek-speaking Eastern provinces of the Empire," Oikonomides says in an article in the latest issue of "Ancient World."

His translation of the inscription reads: "Tubal of Adra, commander 'general' of the Somaetheni, and Arrhus of

According to Oikonomides, "the superb qualities of the cavalrymen of the Arab tribes were well known to the Romans, but their availability to the Imperial army was rather rare."

Only two Arab cavalry units were previously known to have served with the Roman forces.

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[καί] Ἀρρος Ἀττούνιος ἐπευδ[ύ]
4[κατάφρα]κτος Σομαί δ' ἡ νῶν.
- Tubal of Adra commander
"general" of the Somaetheni
and Arrhus of Atta, armored
cavalryman of the Somaetheni
The Greek inscription of Vitrolles

Atta, armored cavalryman of the Somaetheni."

The name "Tubal" is "perfectly fitting for a cavalry officer from the city of Adra in Arabia Petraea who carried also the title of 'general' or 'chief' of the Arab tribe of the Somaetheni," Oikonomides says.

The cities of Adra and Atta, as well as the tribal name Somaetheni, are mentioned by the ancient geographer Ptolemy in his account of Nabataean Ara-

bia. According to Oikonomides, "the superb qualities of the cavalrymen of the Arab tribes were well known to the Romans, but their availability to the Imperial army was rather rare."

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Oikonomides believes the inscribed stone (31 cm high, 42 cm wide, and 30 cm thick), was probably part of "an altar or dedication base."

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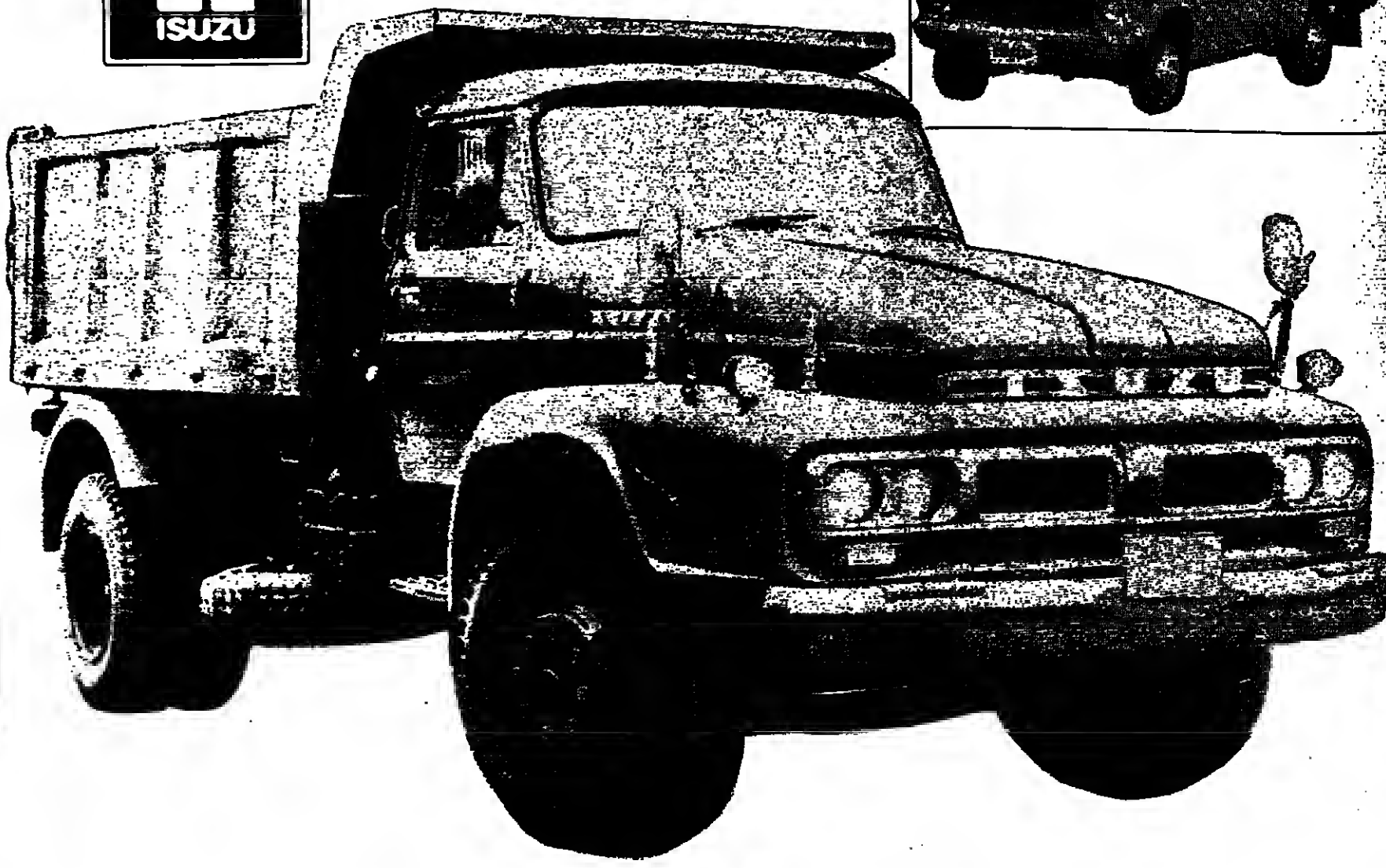
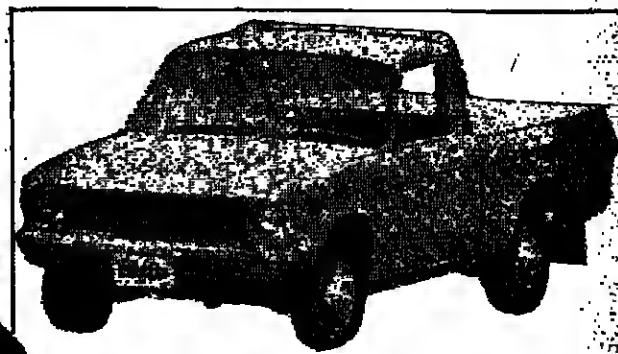


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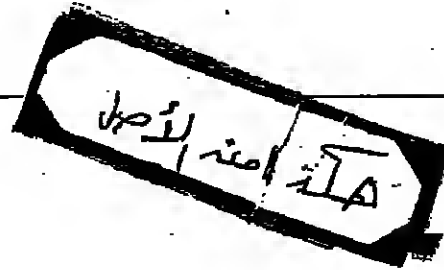
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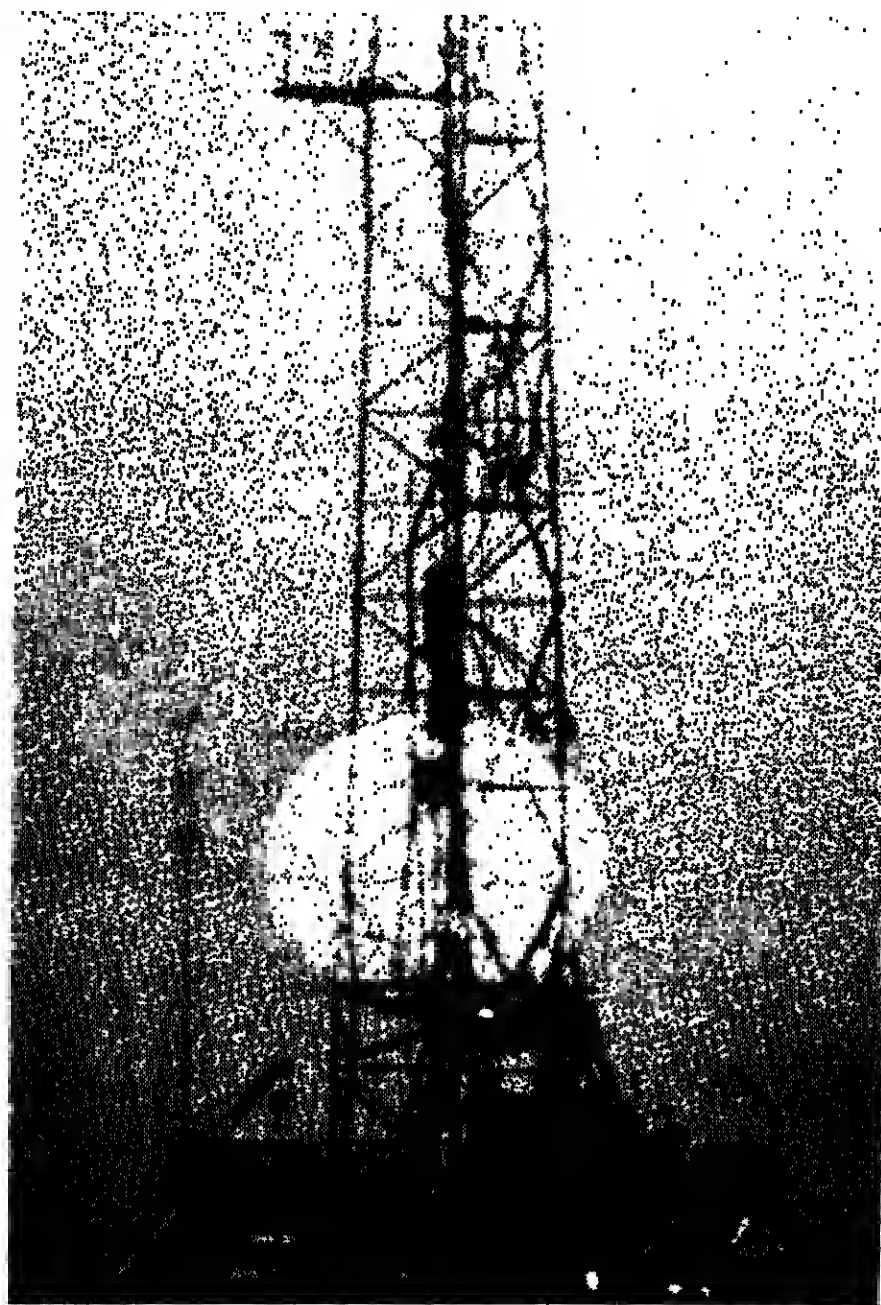
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Coghlan shatters indoor mile mark

SAN DIEGO, California, Feb. 17 (AP) — Ireland's Eamonn Coghlan, patiently staying back to the field until 2 1/2 laps to the finish line, shot to the front and shattered the world indoor mile record by more than two seconds with a 3:52.6 Friday night at the San Diego Invitational Track Meet.

The mark is considered a world standard although the International Amateur Athletic Federation does not recognize indoor records.

Coghlan, virtually unbeatable on the boards, was some eight yards ahead of Steve Scott at the tape, as the first three finishers all bettered the former world record of 3:54.9 set by Dick Buerkle in 1978.

Scott, running for the Irvine Track Club, was clocked in 3:54.1, and Steve Lacy of the University of Wisconsin finished in 3:54.7.

The 27-year-old Coghlan had come close to the mark two weeks ago in the Millrose Games, running a 3:55.0.

In the 60-yard dash run earlier, Houston McTear edged former U.S. Olympian Eddie

Hart with a meet record time of 6.16 seconds.

Hart was timed in 6.17. Clancy Edwards finished a disappointing fifth with a 6.33, behind Kevin Williams at 6.32. Slightly.

McTear and Hart moved slightly ahead 20 yards from the finish after the field broke almost even. Then in the drive for the tape, McTear moved a step ahead.

Greg Foster, the world record holder in the 110-meter hurdles, won the 60-yard high hurdles with a 7.11 clocking, while Dedy Cooper was second in 7.16. Chester Hart finished third at 7.41.

Debby Lapiente of San Diego State, the world indoor record holder in the 60-yard high hurdles, won that event in 7.57, the fourth fastest time ever recorded and just four-tenths of a second off her world standard.

Amie Robinson, the gold medalist in the Montreal Games, won the long jump with a leap of 25.3. Rand Williams, who won the gold in the Munich Games, turned an ankle on his second jump and had to withdraw.

Evert rallies to overcome determined Ruzici at L.A.

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 17 (AP) — Chris Evert turned back a determined challenge from Virginia Ruzici to win her quarterfinal match 6-4, 6-4. Friday night in the \$150,000 Los Angeles Championship women's tennis tournament.

The second-seeded Evert, down 0-3 in the second set, rallied to win five consecutive games to take a 5-3 edge before going on to wrap it up.

In the eighth and tenth games of that set, Evert overcame love-40 deficits to win her serve.

The 5,260 fans at the forum were on their feet frequently during the thriller, applauding Ruzici's savage forehand winners or Evert's gutsy comebacks.

"She pretty much dictated the way I played," Evert lamented. "I always seem to be on the defensive with her."

Evert was to meet fourth-seeded Greer Stevens Saturday night in the semifinals, and top-seeded Martina Navratilova meets No. 3 seed Tracy Austin.

In Khobar doubles

Top pairs fall in 3rd-set tiebreakers

By Geoff Gardner
DHAHRAN, Feb. 17 — Third-set tiebreakers determined the first flight winners in both the men's and women's doubles finals of the 1979 Khobar Tennis Tournament Friday.

Gordon Procter and Paul Kreiger took the third set tiebreaker 7-4 to edge top-seeded Phil Dunn and David Bosch, 2-6, 7-5, 7-6.

"Procter and Kreiger came back from being down 2-5 in set points mainly on effective lobbing by Procter," tournament director and umpire Fred Benson said.

The ladies' doubles was just as close as the winning team of Wendy Jones and Diane Jackson won the first set 7-5 after being behind 0-5. They went on to take the match by winning a 10-8 tiebreaker in

the third set. The victims of the 7-5, 3-6, 7-6 loss were top-seeded Pat Aubrey and June Brandie.

In other men's doubles results: Digaub and Mery edged Bonnell and Hohl, 6-2, 4-6, 6-0 in the second flight.

Stevens and Brixey beat Atif and Bahabri, 6-2, 6-4, in the third flight.

Lievers and Joubert got by Daniel and Himut 6-3, 6-3 in the fourth flight.

Roos and Bellinger topped Regan and Pearson, 6-1, 6-3. Pedeschi and Milne bested Carpen and Peterson 6-3, 6-4 in the sixth flight.

Chelladuray and Gibbs beat Duarsma and Johanson, 6-1, 6-4.

Women
In the other two women's



ALMOST THERE: Eamonn Coghlan raises his arms as he is about to cross the finish line at the Feb. 9 Millrose Games in New York where he posted a time just one-tenth of a second off the world record he easily broke at San Diego Friday.

At giant-killing Mission Hills

Tanner serve does for Connors

RANCHO MIRAGE, California, Feb. 17 (AP) — Giant-killing in the \$250,000 Tennis Games at Mission Hills Country Club caught up with top-seeded Jimmy Connors Friday and he fell to Roscoe Tanner, 4-6, 6-3, 7-6.

In a battle of left-handers Tanner served 11 aces but said, "I was primarily trying for placements and to keep the serves in close to Jimmy."

Tanner, the defending champion but only eighth-seeded, finally won the match on a tiebreaker that wound up 10-8 when a service sent Connors wide and he returned into the net.

Earlier in the tournament, both second-seeded Bjorn Borg and hard-seeded John McEnroe had been upset.

In Friday's other quarterfinals, Erik Lescher of California downed Conn Dibley, Australia, 3-6, 6-4, 6-1. Harold Solomon of Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, defeated Wojtek Fibak, of Putnam, 6-3, 6-4, and Brian Gottfried, of Ft. Lauderdale, downed Tom Okker of the Netherlands 6-2, 6-0.

The semifinal pairings for Saturday had the unseeded Lescher playing Tanner while Solomon, No. 4, was to play Gottfried, No. 5.

Tanner said of his game, "I changed service and instead of serving to the forehand, I serv-

ed right into him. Connors particularly likes to reach out on return of service."

Tanner, with one of the hardest serves in the game, used these tactics to advantage after losing the first set. He finally broke Connors' service in the eighth game of the second set.

Pakistan sets daunting Test total

NAPIER, New Zealand, Feb. 17 (R) — New Zealand faces the daunting task of overthrowing Pakistan's first innings score of 360 when play resumes in the second Test here Sunday.

At the close of the second day's play Saturday — shortened by an hour and a half because of rain and bad light — New Zealand was 25 for one wicket.

It lost the valuable wicket of Bruce Edgar for three just before the close. He scored a maiden Test century in the first Test, which Pakistan won.

Pakistan resuming at 207 for five Saturday lost two early wickets.

But a sound innings of 74 by Wasim Raja and some big hitting by the batsmen pulled the innings round.

Scores: Pakistan 360, New Zealand 25 for one.

Kenya club banned

NAIROBI, Feb. 17 (R) — The Kenya Football Federation has imposed a one-year suspension on First-Division League champion, Breweries, thereby withdrawing the team from the Africa Cup of champion clubs. The move is a disciplinary measure for Breweries' last-minute refusal to participate in a recent tournament when the KFF turned down their demand for cash allowances, officials said.



HURT File photo of last year's World Grand Prix 500cc motorcycle racing champion Kenny Roberts of California. Roberts was badly injured while testing a new Japanese racing bike at a track near Hamamatsu, central Japan this week. A doctor said Friday that the injury would require at least two months of treatment.

Scandinavian Bank Limited

Group Accounts

Extract from Audited Consolidated Statement of Accounts 31st December 1978

	1978 £ 000	1977 £ 000
Authorised Capital	25,000	25,000
Issued Capital	20,250	20,250
Reserves and Retained Profits	13,176	10,563
Total Shareholders Funds	33,426	30,813
Subordinated Loan Notes	29,955	15,750
Current and Deposit Accounts	889,034	753,232
Cash at Bankers, Money at Call and Short Notice	211,883	160,875
Deposits with Banks	179,814	137,922
Loans and Advances —		
(a) under one year	184,350	209,654
(b) over one year	342,284	270,934
Acceptances	42,679	31,112
Total Assets	1,026,330	851,889
Profit before Taxation	8,256	7,251
Profit after Taxation	4,233	3,739
Proposed Dividend	1,620	1,215

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As Player storms in Melbourne

Lietzke enjoys 4-stroke lead in Tucson

TUCSON, Arizona, Feb. 17 (AP) — Bruce Lietzke cut out a four-under-par 66 and expanded his lead to three strokes Friday in the second round of the \$250,000 Joe Garagiola-Tucson Open golf tournament.

"A pretty solid round," the tour's most successful cross-handed putter said after posting his 129 total. 11 strokes under par after two trips over the Randolph Municipal Course.

"I gave away a couple of strokes but I may have gotten lucky on a couple of putts, so it averages out to a pretty solid 66," said Lietzke, who opened with a spectacular 63

Thursday.

Rookie Mike Brannen, who got into the tournament as the second alternate from the Monday qualifying round, was the closest at 132 after a 68, two shots under par on the flat, 6,708-yard municipal layout that has yielded some extremely low scores.

In Melbourne, Saturday Gary Wolstenholme shot a 20-100 put to a birdie on the

last green to grab a one-stroke lead over South Africa's Gary Player in the 60,000 Australian dollar Victorian Open.

Wolstenholme, the defending champion, posted a one-under par 71 for a total of 217, after 54 holes.

Player stormed with birdies at the last two holes to share second spot at 218 with five others.

On the 17th, he holed a

monster putt from 50 feet, which hit the back of the hole so hard it jumped six inches into the air before falling safely into the bottom of the cup.

And in Miami, Amy Alcott shot her second straight 70 to take a two-stroke lead at 140 over Sandra Post in a Ladies Professional Golf Association's \$100,000 tournament.



DEFENDS TITLE: U.S. skier Phil Mahre winning the men's giant slalom of the U.S. Alpine Championships at Copper Mountain, Colo., Wednesday.

Brand new coach watches Bulls beat Knicks, 107-104

NEW YORK, Feb. 17 (AP) — Chicago guard John Mengelt wasn't surprised his team's coach, Larry Costello, got fired Friday.

"We all knew something would happen, and it sure did," said Mengelt. "Someone has to be blamed. Somebody has to pay for it. That's the way in the sports world and that's the way in life."

Costello's 21-36 record was the third worst in the National Basketball Association.

Mengelt's big surprise came Friday night — with six seconds remaining in the Bulls' game against the New York Knicks. Chicago's five-point lead had been trimmed to one and New York had the ball when Knicks Dutch-Italian duo

wins bike event

— The Dutch-Italian pair of René Pijnen and Francesco Moser won the Milan six-day cycling marathon here Friday night.

The 32-year-old Dutch ace and his 27-year-old Italian teammate finished ahead of the German duo of Wilfried Peffgen and Albert Fritz.

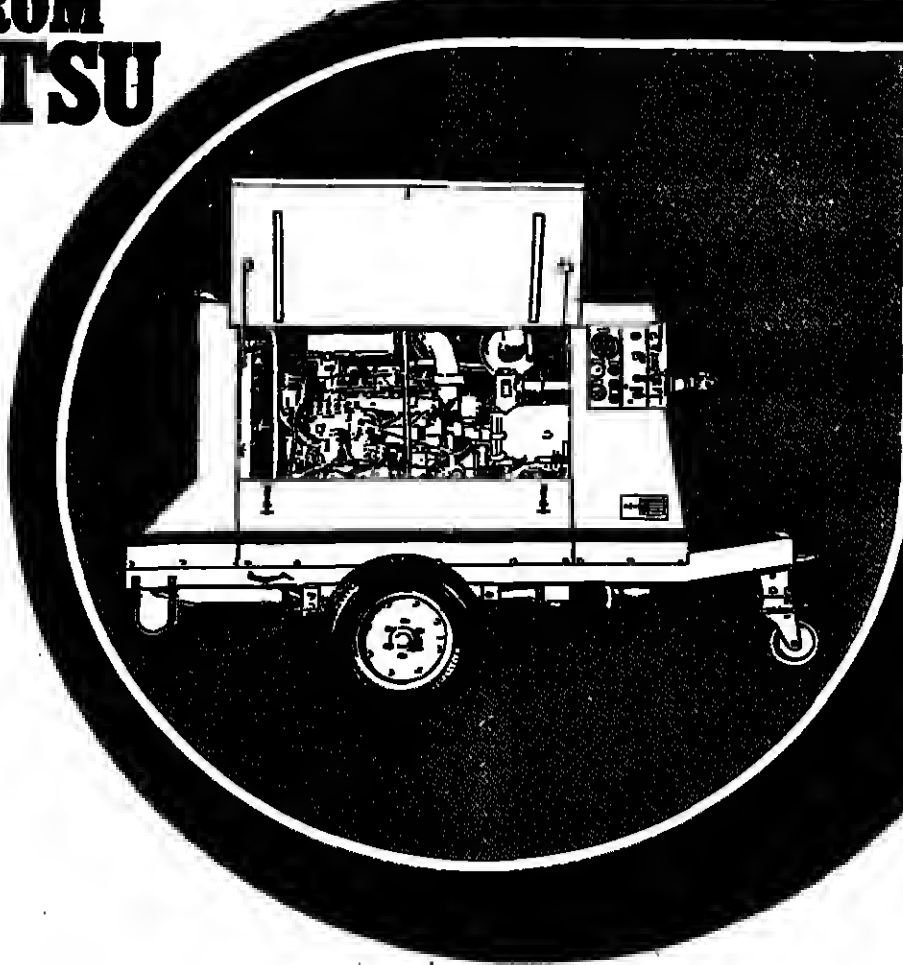
guard Ray Williams tried a court-length drive, only to call. "I didn't see Williams' touch anybody. The referee held up his fingers indicating 24, had committed a foul and the only 24 is in the Bulls (Reggie Theus)."

But the call went the other way, and after Wilbur Holland sank a pair of free throws and two seconds later, the Bulls — in their first game under interim coach Scotty Robertson, formerly Costello's assistant — had a 107-104 victory over the Knicks.

In other National Basketball Association games, the Golden State warriors beat the Washington Bullets 109-103, the Seattle SuperSonics defeated the Phoenix Suns, 119-104, the Milwaukee Bucks edged the Los Angeles Lakers, 99-98, The Kansas City Kings topped the Philadelphia 76ers, 119-104, the San Antonio Spurs clipped the Portland trail blazers, 121-120 in overtime the Detroit Pistons downed the Houston Rockets 110-96, the Indiana Pacers beat the New Jersey Nets, 109-100 and the San Diego Clippers defeated the Denver Nuggets, 118-104.

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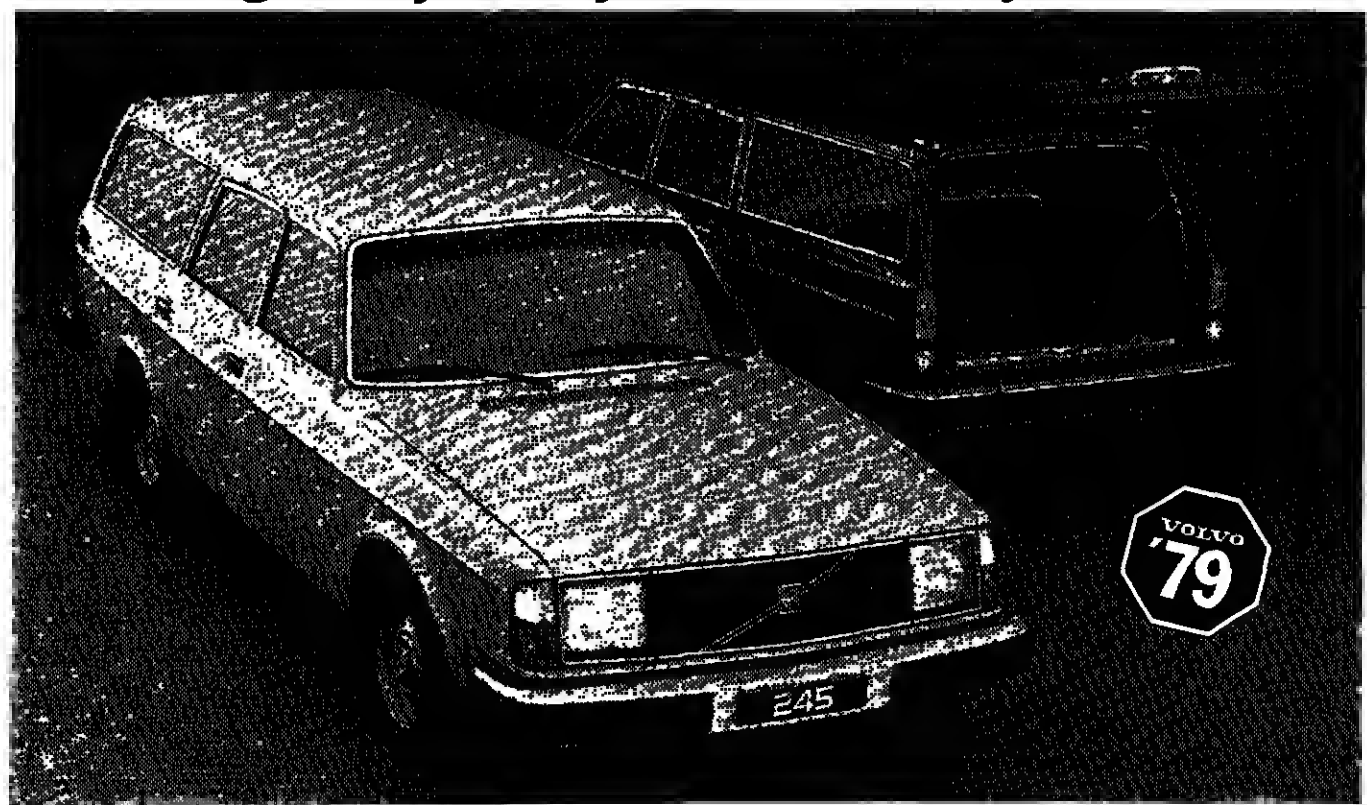
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	Sa	0700	1150		Tu	1730	1835		Su	0210	0745		Su	0845	1215		
Algiers	Sa	1010	1520		W	0635	0740		M	0900	1255		Su	2215	0530		
Amman	M	1105	1210		W	1730	1835		Sa	0900	1255		M	1100	1130		
	W	1745	1850		Th	1730	1835		Th	1315	1645		W	1100	1130		
	F	1105	1330		F	0635	0740		Istanbul	Th	0615	1315		Tu	0130	0720	
Athens	M	1030	1320		F	1730	1835		Karachi	M	0615	1315		Th	1100	1130	
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U.S. court prevents Iran from cashing in on \$30m

NEW YORK, Feb. 17 (AP) — A subsidiary of American Telephone and Telegraph has obtained a court order keeping the new Iranian government from collecting on a \$30.2 million letter of credit in a New York bank.

The suit by American Bell said the money was based on a contract it had with the Imperial Government of Iran. The company said that termination of the contract at this time would result in a loss to the firm of at least \$55 million.

The company asked for a permanent injunction preventing the Manufacturer's Trust from returning any of the money to the new government. Filed in State Supreme Court at Manhattan, the suit also alleged that the former government of the Shah had breached the contract by failing to make required payments to the turbulent December and January.

Justice Bernard Nadel signed a temporary restraining order late Friday and ordered a hearing next Tuesday on the request for a permanent injunction.

Under a \$90 million contract, American Bell was providing consultants and equipment to the government of Iran for work on a telecommunications facility.

The contract said that 20 per cent of monthly payments to American Bell for work done would be made by drawing on a \$38.8 million down payment deposited in a bank here. The \$30.2 million was what was left of the down payment. American Bell obtained a

letter of credit drawn on Manufacturers Hanover guaranteeing the amount of the down payment which had not been spent. The letter of credit was payable to the Bank Iran shah, on the demand of the Imperial government.

Court papers said that the contract "will be governed by Iranian law and all disputes will be resolved in Iranian courts."

Iran, energy and inflation worry traders

Wall Street turns anxiously back to gold

NEW YORK, Feb. 17 (AP) — Political upheaval in Iran, the threat of new energy problems and stubborn inflation have helped thrust gold back into the investment spotlight in early 1979.

The price of the metal has climbed from just under \$200 to record levels above \$250 an ounce in the last two and a half months.

At Friday afternoon's "fixing" in London — the twice-a-day meeting of representatives of five leading gold houses — it stood at \$247.05.

Traders in Wall Street's securities markets keep a close watch on the gold price as an indicator of sentiment. Thus, pronounced moves by gold can exert a strong influence on stock and bond prices.

A recent case: Monday, Feb. 5, when a surge of nearly \$15 in the gold price helped drive the Dow Jones average of 30 industrial down more than 10 points.

In the past week, with the gold market having settled down a bit, the market recovered a small part of its recent losses.



The Shah

Arusha delegates gird for fight over world economic reforms

ARUSHA, Tanzania, Feb. 17 (AP) — Delegates from more than 80 poor countries declared themselves ready Saturday for a showdown with industrialized nations over demands for world economic reforms, after Latin American and African states agreed to proposals intended to stabilize commodity prices.

Delegates winding up a five-day ministerial meeting of the "Group of 77," which includes 117 underdeveloped countries,

said they were satisfied that the Third World would be united at negotiations in Geneva next month.

Saudi Arabia is represented by Deputy Minister of Commerce Yusuf Al-Hamdan who leads a group of delegates from the ministries of Finance, Manpower, and Foreign Affairs.

Tanzania's President Nyerere was a driving force behind the organization of the conference. The Geneva meetings lead up to the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development — UNCTAD — in Manila in May.

A late compromise swung support behind an African proposal for mandatory and direct contributions of at least \$1 million by each participating government to a fund for stockpiling raw materials and evening out variations in their prices.

Delegates said Argentina, Brazil and Colombia had opposed the plan until the last minute.

The "common fund" proposal, envisaging the participation of both rich and poor nations, will be presented at UNCTAD, the periodic forum where the Third World has for a generation tried to wrest better terms of trade from the West.

Industrial nations have succeeded in blocking acceptance of a common fund at previous UNCTAD sessions. Although it now includes 117 countries, the Group of 77 got its name from the original number of subscriber nations that formed the lobbying group.



Julius Nyerere

Tanzania's Amir Jamel, chairman of the Arusha Conference, said the Group of 77 would be prepared for possible renewed attempts by Western nations to defer a decision at Manila.

Saudi Arabian Government Tenders

Authority	Description	No. of Tender	Price SR	Closing Date
* Ministry of Municipal and Rural Affairs	Fencing of Nabuqa grave yard in Nejan	26-97/98	150	April 2
"	Fencing of graveyards of Mirdasah in Qassim	"	500	April 3
"	Fencing of Olya graveyard in Shamasiyah	"	100	April 7
"	Fencing of graveyards in Mideh, Ghawwa and Natta villages in the Eastern Province	"	250	April 8
"	Fencing of a graveyard in Ota, Baha region	"	100	April 9
"	Fencing of three graveyards in Hadda, Kaf and Eissawiah villages in Qora'at	"	400	April 10
"	Building of a commercial market in Hafat Ammar, containing 12 shops.	97-98/99	500	April 14



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1-VESSELS DISCHARGING BERTH VESSEL	AGENT	CARGO	ARR. DATE
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6	STAR NAV.	FRUITS	15/2/1979
7	S.N.L.	LUB OIL/GEN./CONTR.	16/2/1979
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9	A.E.T.	GENERAL	1/2/1979
10	ORRI	SORGHUM/RICE/ MAIZE	9/2/1979
11	OCEAN TRD.	SORGHUM/MAIZE	11/2/1979
12	ALGEZIRAH	TO LOAD M.TY. CONTRS.	16/2/1979
13	ALSAADA	GENERAL	14/2/1979
14			
15	ROLACO	BULK CEMENT	8/2/1979
16	ALSAABA	BULK CEMENT	5/2/1979
17	GULF	BAGGED CEMENT	3/2/1979
18	ALSAADA	BAGGED CEMENT	1/2/1979
19	A.A.	BAGGED CEMENT	6/2/1979
20	S.A.M.A.	ACCOMMODATION SHIP	
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22	ALPHA	GENERAL/BAGGED RICE	14/2/1979
23	U.C.E.	FROZEN POULTRY	12/2/1979
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2-Recent Arrivals	AGENT	CARGO	ARR. DATE
ALUDRA	S.N.L.	GENERAL/LUB.OIL/ CONTRS	16/2/1979
CASTLE GLORY	STAR NAV.	DURIA	16/2/1979
LEON	M.T.A.	CONTR./MIXERS	16/2/1979
CELEK	ALGEZIRAH	TO LOAD M.TY. CONTRS.	16/2/1979
MAGNITOGORSK	A.E.T.	CONCRETE BEAMS	16/2/1979
SINGA SATU	A.E.T.	CONTR./CARS/BUSES	17/2/1979
GRAND UNION	M.E.S.A.	VEHICLES	17/2/1979
		BANANAS	17/2/1979

Vessels Expected to Arrive With in Next 24 Hours

VESSEL	AGENT	CARGO	ARR. DATE
PEP OCEAN	RASBAR	ANIMAL FOOD/VET.MEDS.	11/2/1979
BRANINBELS	ALIREZA	GEN STEEL/TIMBER/ CEMENT	17/2/1979
LAMMA ISLAND	ALATAS	SORGHUM/GEN./STEEL/ CONTAINERS	17/2/1979
SKOTLAND	WARRER	CONTAINERS	17/2/1979
NEBULI OYD	ALATAS	CONTAINERS	17/2/1979
MARETANIA	ROLACO	CONTAINERS	17/2/1979
MINI LEO	A.E.T.	CONTAINERS	17/2/1979
POSS KAYRE	FAYEZ	CONTAINERS	17/2/1979
MERZAKIO	A.E.T.	CONTAINERS	17/2/1979
ALSONIA	A.E.T.	CONTAINERS	17/2/1979
MERZAKIO	A.E.T.	CONTAINERS	17/2/1979
ALPHA EXPRESS	ALQOSABI	CONTAINERS	17/2/1979
SEA EAGLE	ORRI	CONTAINERS	17/2/1979
REDFNELS	ALIREZA	CONTAINERS	17/2/1979

4-Tonnages Discharged:(Freight Tons): 34,529

5-WAITING TIME: NIL

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TIME: 0700 HRS.

1-Vessels Working the Ship	Name of the Ship	Agent	Type of cargo	Arrival Date
1	AL MESSILAH	KANOO	SHEEP	16/2/1979
2	GRAND NAVIGATOR	ALQURASHI	CONTAINERS	16/2/1979
3	IBN AL BEITAR	KANOO	GEN. CONTRS	16/2/1979
4	SABAH TRADERS	KANOO	GENERAL STEEL	16/2/1979
5	SABAH POULSEN	KANOO	GENERAL STEEL	16/2/1979
6	EFTHIA	KANOO	GENERAL STEEL	16/2/1979
7	TAINING	S.E.A.	GENERAL	16/2/1979
8	NAFELI	GUSABI	TIMBER	16/2/1979
9	STURMELS	ALIREZA	GENERAL	16/2/1979
10	HANNALU	GUSABI	CONTR.GENERAL	16/2/1979
11	CAPE PRIDE	GUSABI	C.CEMENT IN BAGS	16/2/1979
12	EVER HONESTY	U.P.	C.CEMENT IN BAGS	16/2/1979
13	ELESTRIA IV	ORRI	LIME IN BAGS	16/2/1979
14	BAKAR (D.B.)	BARBER	BULK CEMENT	16/2/1979
15	GREAT MAURICE	KANOO	LIME MARI'E	16/2/1979
Vessels Working at Ancorage				
	PRIMAVERA	SMC	BULK CEMENT	15/2/1979
2-Recent Arrivals				
	SEATRAN LONDON	ALQURASHI	CONTAINERS	15/2/1979
	SABAH POULSEN	KANOO	GENERAL	15/2/1979
	IBN AL BEITAR	KANOO	GENERAL	15/2/1979
	EFTHIA	KANOO	GENERAL	15/2/1979
	BAKAR	KANOO	BULK CEMENT	15/2/1979
	AL MESSILAH	KANOO	SHEEP	15/2/1979
	BARGE QM-117	KANOO	STEEL BARS	15/2/1979
	ASIA LARA	ALIREZA	BULK CEMENT	15/2/1979
	PRIMAVERA	SMC	BULK CEMENT	15/2/1979
	NEFELI	GUSABI	TIMBER	15/2/1979
	GRAND NAVIGATOR	ALQURASHI	CONTAINERS	15/2/1979
	KHALIL SKY	SUEASIA	GENERAL	15/2/1979
	WI EXPRESS	GULF	GENERAL STEEL	15/2/1979
	SABAH TRADERS	ORRI	GENERAL STEEL	15/2/1979
	ELESTRIA IV	ORRI	GENERAL	15/2/1979
	TAINING	S.E.A.	GENERAL	15/2/1979
	ST LOUIS	NEZAYAT	CONTAINERS	15/2/1979
3-Vessels Expected With in 24 Hours				
	EVER PIONEER	GOSABI	GENERAL	15/2/1979
	LONDON BARON	GLOBE	GENERAL	15/2/1979
	HOSHIO MARU	KANOO	GENERAL	15/2/1979
	CHARITY	ORRI	GENERAL	15/2/1979
	MARIA - N	NEZAYAT	GENERAL	15/2/1979

4-Tonnages Discharged:(Freight Tons): 68,539

5-WAITING TIME: NIL

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Hell Tibury		19-20/2
Rotterdam Antwerp	26-27/2 28/2	21/2
Marseilles Leghorn	6-7/3	28/2-1/3
Dammam	27/3	18/3

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Vance Forest	905	4/3

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Freemantle	7/3	
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SOUTH AMERICA SERVICE	Rochampton Star V4	
Rio de Janeiro	1/3	
Santos	3/2	
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Rio Grande		
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	Closing Feb. 14	Closing Feb. 15		Closing Feb. 15	Closing Feb. 16
Price Keweenaw					
Bergan Bank	109.50	109.50	Cardinalbank	342	342
Bergvanguard	72.50	72.50	First Pioneer	263	263
Cardinalbank	118.50	118.00	Salt Lake	568	568
Eastman	335.00	335.00	Sempra	68	68
Kraftbank	116.25	116.25	Suncoast	280	280
North Bayview Bank	243.25	234.00	Vail Bank	251	250
Southbank	91.50	91.50			
Price Keweenaw					
	Closing Feb. 15	Closing Feb. 16		Closing Feb. 15	Closing Feb. 16
Forward Market					
ABCC	420	420	Akai Trading	366	366
Arbok	230	230	Amaki Bank-Cham.	175	172
Autum	676	676	Amaki Bank	359	351
Branco	464	464	Bank of Tokyo	217	211
Bruno-Lambert	1830	1865	Banque Paribas	823	798
Can Pac	332	332	Brigandine Tire	515	510
Cochran	483	483	Chrysler	519	609
De Beers	214	212	Chrysler Power	1086	1044
Electrolux	6890	6890	Colson-Walton	288	288
EMSB	2445	2435	Dalziel Bank	330	395
GB-Isma-BM	2598	2580	Dal Nippon Trading	539	537
Genbank	136	136	Dal Nippon Tokyo	288	288
Hafslund	2850	2940	Ehara Matsuoka	479	469
Industrials	3770	3925	Fuji Bank	336	337
Nippon	1575	1580	Genbank	675	625
Sakai	740	742	Pajun Spinning	154	153
Soc. Gen. Belgique	2280	2280	Pajun	449	447
Sofbank	3529	3630	Pajun	245	245
Tanaka	121	121	RH Bank	482	484
Tanaka Yama	151	151	SH	—	189
Union Mineiro	173	174	Shin	265	265
Yokohama	826	880	Shin	2940	229
Cash Market			Kajima	351	348
Assurance Gen.	6310	6110	Kajima Power	1079	1170
First Motor	6758	6798	Kawasaki Steel	125	123
Soc. Gen. Banque	3485	3485	Klein Brewery	455	453
			Kobun	389	389
			Kanetsu	285	275
			Mitsubishi Ind.	690	685
			Mitsubishi Trading	690	679
			Mitsubishi Chemical	333	333
			Mitsubishi Electric	152	150
			Mitsubishi Heavy	129	129
			Mitsubishi Heavy	423	423
			Mitsubishi Heavy	327	327
			Mitsubishi Heavy	639	636
			Mitsubishi Heavy	118	117
			Mitsubishi Heavy	538	535
			Mitsubishi Heavy	263	261
			Mitsubishi Heavy	535	531
			Mitsubishi Heavy	287	286
			Mitsubishi Heavy	243	243
			Mitsubishi Heavy	145	152
			Mitsubishi Heavy	915	911
			Mitsubishi Heavy	—	364
			Mitsubishi Heavy	—	267
			Mitsubishi Heavy	—	185
			Mitsubishi Heavy	—	385
			Mitsubishi Heavy	—	243
			Mitsubishi Heavy	—	648
			Mitsubishi Heavy	—	495
			Mitsubishi Heavy	—	734
			Mitsubishi Heavy	—	561
			Mitsubishi Heavy	—	477
			Mitsubishi Heavy	—	1170
			Mitsubishi Heavy	—	1038
			Mitsubishi Heavy	—	335
			Mitsubishi Heavy	—	217
			Mitsubishi Heavy	—	133
			Mitsubishi Heavy	—	241
			Mitsubishi Heavy	—	126
			Mitsubishi Heavy	—	123
			Mitsubishi Heavy	—	236
			Mitsubishi Heavy	—	241
			Mitsubishi Heavy	—	595
			Mitsubishi Heavy	—	140
			Mitsubishi Heavy	—	225
			Mitsubishi Heavy	—	131
			Mitsubishi Heavy	—	499
			Mitsubishi Heavy	—	1049
			Mitsubishi Heavy	—	483
			Mitsubishi Heavy	—	485
			Mitsubishi Heavy	—	148
			Mitsubishi Heavy	—	848
			Mitsubishi Heavy	—	241
			Mitsubishi Heavy	—	285
			Mitsubishi Heavy		

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Price Keweenaw					
Agri Ad (Kr. 40)	198	198	Industrial	225	226
ASA (Kr. 50)	79.80	77.10	Industrial	194	192
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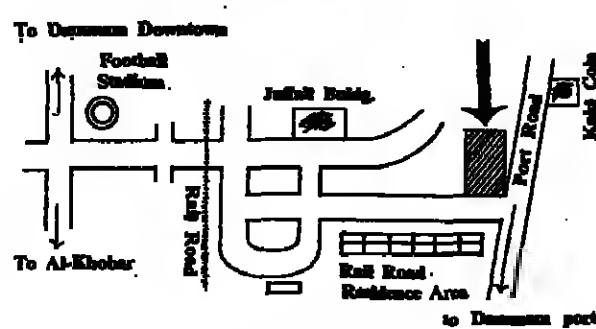
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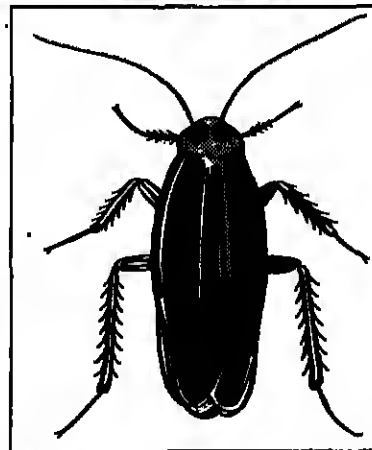
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At guerrilla buildup

Rhodesian jets strike into Zambia

SALISBURY, Feb. 17 (R) — Rhodesian jet aircraft Saturday attacked black guerrilla bases in southern Zambia, striking at a buildup of forces being prepared to cross into Rhodesia, military headquarters announced.

The raids took place at 7 a.m. in the Livingstone area of Zambia, a communiqué said. "All aircraft have returned safely to base," it said. "Recent intelligence showed that the buildup of terrorists was taking place preparatory to infiltrating into Rhodesia."

It said, "These holding camps were situated outside the buildup areas of Livingstone and only these ZIPRA camps were attacked."

ZIPRA is the Zimbabwe African People's Revolutionary Army of Zambia-based Patriotic Front alliance joint leader Joshua Nkomo.

The raids were launched five days after an Air Rhodesia Viscount airliner crashed in northern Rhodesia, killing all 59 passengers and crew.

Nkomo has claimed that his forces shot down the plane. It

was believed here that it had been hit by at least one ground-to-air missile.

Rhodesian government leaders quickly pledged revenge for the disaster — the second time ZIPRA forces had downed an airliner here. Last Sept. 3, 38 passengers and crew died when another Viscount was hit by a missile in the same region.

The military also reported Saturday that Rhodesian troops shot up buildings in the southern mining town of Shabani Thursday night, killing a

civilian and damaging houses.

A communiqué also reported that guerrillas sabotaged a strategic railroad bridge between here and the eastern garrison town of Umtali.

The military gave few details of the attack on Shabani, 200 miles south of here.

The communiqué, the first since Thursday, said: "Last night following an incident in Shabani security forces opened fire from a number of bases in the vicinity of the town. One black civilian was killed and buildings in the area were damaged. There was no direct terrorist involvement."

It gave no other details. Elsewhere, security forces were said to have killed seven insurgents, five "terrorist collaborators," and a cattle rustler. Four other civilians were slain in crossfire.

With the latest deaths, the military command has acknowledged that security forces have slain 2,057 blacks, usually described as terrorist collaborators, curfew breakers or crossfire victims.

Four civilians have been reportedly slain by guerrillas, raising the reported death toll of their victims to over 3,000.

Reporting the bridge sabotage, the military command said the main railroad between Salisbury and Umtali, administrative hub for the coffee and tea plantations, orchards and ranches, had been temporarily cut "following terrorist damage."

The communiqué said repairs were being carried out causing "some interruption of rail traffic."

It did not say how the bridge was sabotaged or what the extent of the damage was. Guerrillas have in the past year made several attacks on Rhodesia's communications, ambushing vehicles on main highways, sabotaging railroads and bridges and shooting up trains.



JIMMY'S SOMBRERO: President Carter waves a sombrero that was presented to him Wednesday in Mexico City. Carter flew to Mexico for two days of talks with President Lopez Portillo. (See story page five.) (AP photo)

Students in Nicaragua close down university

MANAGUA, Feb. 17 (AP) — Students have closed the University of Nicaragua and citizens groups have demanded a general strike to protest the shooting deaths the day before of five youths.

The National Guard said five youths were shot dead when troops broke down the doors of El Calvario Church in Leon 102 kilometers west of the capital.

Guard Commander Col. Simon Gonzalez said he sent patrols to investigate student protests in five churches in support of a month-old hospital workers hunger strike for higher wages.

The colonel's statement said the patrols faced small weapons fire from one church, El Calvario, and that troops fired back. When the sniper fire

from the belfry did not stop, the guard said troops broke down the church door and entered the church, shooting.

After the incident, the guard said, five bodies were found inside the church. Three young people escaped, he said.

Civil groups, including the prestigious Nicaraguan Development Institute, the Chamber of Commerce, the Industrial Chamber, the Cotton Growers Chamber and several political parties called an early morning meeting to demand a Leon province-wide general strike.

Students demonstrated at the University of Nicaragua campus in the capital Thursday night. The demonstration was broken up by troops firing tear gas canisters. There were no injuries. The students then barricaded the campus entrances.

The bodies of the five youths were buried in different locations Thursday on the orders of the National Guard to avoid a concentration of mourners at the Leon municipal cemetery.

Leon, province capital with a population of 100,000, was the site of another student shooting by troops in 1959 which has become known as "the massacre of July 23."

University of Leon Rector Mariano Fallas Ayonguren said in a statement Friday that Thursday's shooting was "the second massacre of Leon."

Political turmoil continues for a second year in this violence wracked Central American country.

Guerrilla rebels fought troops in two weeks of national uprisings last fall in which an estimated 1,500 were killed.

Good Morning

Old school ties

By Jihad Al Khazen

Egyptian journalist Mustafa Amin's recent article on his "Unwelcome Friend" found a more than receptive audience in this office.

Amin wrote of being confounded one day by a visitor who entered his office and asked to see him right away. The man, it turned out, claimed to be an old cell-mate of Amin's and said they had been imprisoned together in Egypt's Al Zaabal Prison in 1960, during the Nasser era.

Amin did his best to convince the visitors that he had only didn't go to prison until 1965, but also that he'd been lodged in a number of Egyptian prisons—unfortunately not the one in question. But his efforts were in vain.

He finally asked the fellow "prisoner" the purpose of the unannounced visit and was told, "I just wanted to talk about the good old days," as if Amin's office were the local cafe where one could hang around gossiping. The visitor was promptly shown to the door.

Apparently such visits are a hard habit to break in the Arab world. The other day, a gentleman popped in and asked my secretary if he could see me. Unhappily my door wasn't completely closed, so he spotted me inside my office and made himself at home.

I'd just finished listening to the anguished tales of "Ashraq Al-Awsat" managing editor Erfan Nazamuddin, who says he can't get his work done because of his friends. "It's snowing outside," they tell him while his eyebrows are covered with the snow. "It's cold," they tell him as he sits so buried in overcoats that all you can see is his eyes peering above his collar. And so on and so forth....

So you can see that I was less than happy with my new visitor. He told me he was a classmate of mine at the LC (the International College of the American University of Beirut) twenty-five years ago.

Unfortunately, I couldn't remember him. It has been a quarter century and I've lost half my hair and the other half has turned white. But still, I don't have any problem remembering any of my other classmates.

But he sat anyway. The telephone soon rang, and it was Hisham Hafez, owner and publisher of "Ashraq Al-Awsat," and he wanted to talk business. But he understood from my tone of voice that I wasn't free and hung up, telling me to call him in Jeddah.

The phone rang again and this time it was Bob Lebling from our Washington office. He wanted to talk about the way we should cover the next round of Middle East peace talks. But I didn't feel I could do that while this person was listening. Not only was he sitting there, but he was making signals with his eyes as if he wanted to say something. I asked Bob to phone me later.

My "classmate" as a matter of fact, said he wanted to give me some hints and advice on the way the Egyptian and Israeli delegations in Washington should be dealt with.

That was enough. I stood up and showed him to the door, apologizing for having wasted his time, but adding that unfortunately I had to plunge into the newsroom and take care of some pressing daily business.

That took him by surprise. And you can be sure that I didn't come out of the newsroom—which we call the "kitchen"—until I'd been assured that my "classmate" was long gone. (Translated from "Ashraq Al-Awsat")



BHUTTO'S LAWYER: Yahya Bakhtiar (left) former attorney general of Pakistan, leaves the Supreme Court after getting a 16-day stay of execution for former Prime Minister Bhutto, Jan. 14. (AP photo)

Alleged political murder

Peking punishes Red Guards

TOKYO, Feb. 17 (AP) — Several Chinese were severely punished recently for a 1967 "extermination campaign" in which more than 100 political tics were killed, over 400 maimed and more than 3,000 wounded during the chaotic "Cultural Revolution," China's leading newspaper says.

The Feb. 12 "People's Daily," edition, seen in Tokyo Saturday, did not elaborate on the "severe punishment according to law." It said Suo

Ching-yeh, an assistant secretary of a local Communist Party branch in Kwangtung province's Haifeng county, had been arrested for his "serious crimes."

The report was the must detailed seen so far on factional violence during the 1966-69 period when the late Communist Party chairman Mao fanned out millions of young "Red Guards" out to harass and bring down his political foes.

The "People's Daily" said Sun's group in 1966 began denouncing Peng Pai, considered a martyr for leading a peasant rebellion years earlier, as a "fascist adventurer" and rebel whose uprising was mistaken and unnecessary. It said this group secretly arrested Peng's 95-year-old mother, who died under its cruel treatment.

When the masses resisted these actions, the paper added, Sun's group secretly transferred militia troops into the town and on Aug. 26, 1967, began a two-week "extermination campaign."

One of Sun's followers beheaded Peng's nephew, Peng Ko, and hung his head in a busy Haifeng district for three days as a demonstration to the masses, the paper said.

"At the time of the Aug. 26 great massacre, Premier Chou (En-lai) ordered weapons collected and a talk to the killing," the paper reported, but Sun's group demonstrated in the streets and passed up "counter-revolutionary slurs" against him.

When party vice chairman Yeh Chien-ying sent an army team to investigate in 1974, Sun's followers falsified records and covered up their crimes, it said.

In another investigation last year, it added, authorities received more than 8,000 letters

and more than 5,000 visits from the masses.

The paper said Sun was a follower of the late Defense Minister Lin Biao, reportedly killed in a plane crash in 1971 while trying to flee after an unsuccessful plot against Mao. Lin has been linked to the "Gang of Four" radical leaders, purged in 1976 on charges of trying to cause chaos and seize power.

Witness reports plight

Squalor, filth aboard the Tung An

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. Feb. 17 (AP) — "Minneapolis Star" photographer Stormi Greener sneaked aboard the freighter Tung An in Manila harbor to photograph the 2,300 Vietnamese refugees.

In a copyright story in the newspaper's Saturday magazine, Mrs. Greener told of what she saw during her six hours in January aboard the boat that reeked of sweat, rotting food and human waste.

The freighter was still moored in Manila Bay Saturday. The Philippine government had planned to order it out of Philippine waters last week but changed plans when it began receiving positive response from governments considering taking those on board as refugees.

The refugees were old, young, sick, bored. Some sat with their heads in their hands. Maggots burrowed into the cargo of flour and cattle feed. Mothers tried to rock their children asleep in the oppressive heat. In the hold, a small boy slept while flies lined the slit of his infected left eye.

Babies were crying. Even some of the older children wept as they sat alone, ignored.

There was scaffolding down one side of the Tung An, and refugees used it as a laundry area and lavatory. The sea water below was covered with human excrement. Farther down the deck, refugees used cans tied to ropes to bring up

the water in which they bathed.

The Philippine government provided food and drinking water daily, but the support pledged by President Ferdinand Marcos did not include letting the refugees off the Tung An.

The fishermen who brought Ms. Greener and two other journalists to the freighter by canoe was to come back for them, but was apparently chased away by the Coast Guard. Deciding to give themselves up, they first put some blank

rolls of film in their camera bags. They hid the exposed film in their boots, pants and shirts.

Several Vietnamese went topside and told the Coast Guard that "Press" had got aboard. Officers came onto the Tung An and, Ms. Greener wrote, she'd "never seen anyone so mad." The trio was taken to the mainland and held in a hot, tiny room for two hours while Coast Guard officers phoned various authori-

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Dayan said that only Articles Four and Six had previously been discussed during Assistant Secretary of State Alfred Atherton's abortive mission to the region last month. He said the talks would be

in two stages. During the first few days each side would present its views and try to understand the other side's position.

"The delegations cannot sign anything but only clarify, send out feelers and trial proposals to see what can be agreed on," he said.

The delegations would then return home for consultations. "I believe the talks would be a great success if all sides

believed at their conclusion that if a summit meeting were held an agreement could be reached," Dayan said.

China

mistreated in Vietnam.

In Washington the United States called Saturday for the immediate withdrawal of Chinese troops from Vietnam and urged restraint to keep the conflict from spreading.

State Department spokesman Hodding Carter told a hastily called midday briefing that the request was made to China after the Chinese forces crossed the Vietnamese border.

"The United States is critical of any use of force outside one's own territory," he said. "...we are opposed both to the Vietnamese invasion of Cambodia and to the Chinese invasion of Vietnam."

Khomeini

transport took another load of Americans, primarily U.S. military personnel, to Athens, Greece.

Two British Royal Air Force transport planes also left with 250 civilians and headed for an airbase in southern Cyprus, according to an RAF spokesman in Cyprus. There are about 1,600 British subjects in Iran and the spokesman said more would be eva-

uated to Cyprus Sunday. Passengers were escorted by armed guards right up to the steps of the planes. Baggage was combed by Khomeini

guards before the Americans were allowed to begin boarding the special rescue flights. Those holding diplomatic passports were taken out of line and briefly held under armed guard then were allowed to rejoin other passengers.

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